



The

Hi-Noc-Ar

Nineteen - hundred - fifty - A.D.

Peggy Tolson

Very very sweet  
if who knows  
but. Good  
Love  
Francis

Tolson. It has really  
been wonderful to  
all these years to  
Don't forget me. We love  
you lots. Peggy best of  
luck with you know who.  
Love you!  
Peggy Tibbitts

Best of luck always  
Thomas E. (Stacy) Tibbitts





Peggy,  
you are a  
sweet and  
a hope for  
always  
the best  
the good  
the best  
the best

Peggy  
it is when you  
begin with you  
in the school  
you deserve the bit  
of luck. see you at  
vendemia.  
A mother  
Charles

L. THORP

Peggy,  
 It's sure been  
 fun in R.M. 43.  
 together. Lots of  
 success in the  
 future.  
 Drew Black

Peggy, I've really  
 enjoyed knowing  
 you. You're a  
 fine girl. There's  
 hoping you get  
 the happiness you  
 deserve.

Jay Williams

Peggy,

It's been so much  
 fun being in school  
 with you the past  
 four years. Best  
 of luck to you always.

Jay Williams

gays,  
 haven't we  
 had many  
 fun(?)

Love always,  
 Sam (Slim) James

Don't be. I've really  
 enjoyed knowing  
 you. You're a  
 fine girl. There's  
 hoping you get  
 the happiness you  
 deserve.

Peggy,  
 Lots of luck and  
 success in the future.  
 Jean Murray

Best of luck to you  
 Peggy. You're really  
 sweet. See you  
 next year maybe.  
 Love,  
 Jeanette

Best of luck Peggy  
 J. Thomas P. 1942

Peggy, it has been  
 fun seeing you in  
 school and being  
 in your class.

Sincerely,  
 Mary Gardner

Peggy,  
 I certainly have enjoyed knowing  
 you all these years. We all  
 will certainly miss you next  
 year. Best of luck to a real  
 sweet girl. Love,  
 Anne Zimmerman

Don't be. I've really  
 enjoyed knowing  
 you. You're a  
 fine girl. There's  
 hoping you get  
 the happiness you  
 deserve.

Best wishes to  
a real nice and  
swell gal. May  
the rest in life  
be yours. Love,  
Mary Ann

Good luck  
to a good girl.  
You're tops with  
me. Best luck  
in your coming years.  
Ann D.

Best Wishes  
to a swell girl.  
Lots of luck.  
Helen. Moore

Peggy,  
she complained  
for 11 1/2 years.  
but on the last  
day it is kinda  
sad. and a  
girl. Mary Ann

Best wishes to  
a very sweet  
girl. Ruby Watson

Peggy,  
It's been fun being  
with you in class.  
We're wishing you luck.  
Bill

Peggy,  
I have enjoyed  
knowing you. Good  
luck in the future.  
Love you  
Lucas P. Leman



*The Senior  
R.M.H.S.  
Presents its*  
**1950**

**ADV. MGR.**  
**L. PATSEAVOURAS**

**BUS. MGR.**  
**LAWRENCE THORP**



*Class of  
Rocky Mt., N.C.*  
**Hi-noc-ar**

**CIRC. MGR.**  
**PEGGY EDMONDSON**

**EDITOR**  
**BOBBY GORHAM**



Orange  
Crush



Lincoln  MERCURY



### EXPLANATION OF THEME

The 20th century is the era of slogans, of catchy phrases, of sports announcements. It is the age of radio, television, movies and, above all, advertising. From the time the doctor says, "It's a boy!" until some stonemason engraves the epitaph, "After life's fitful fever he sleeps well," man is influenced by quotable phrases and sentences. He's quick to adopt the new—the appealing phraseology. He thinks of products in terms of their slogans. He is exposed to high pressure salesmanship so constantly that it becomes an integral part of his life; almost without his knowing it.

Realizing the part that these factors play in our daily existence, we, the staff of the 1950 Hi-Noc-Ar, chose as our theme—"The Application of Advertising to Our High School Life." From our billboard at the front, and the roadside signs of the division pages through the school scene of the inside cover, Lawrence Thorp has presented our theme.

We hope you find it entertaining and attractive. We hope you like it; for it certainly looks like you!



KAISER



FRAZER



FIRE APPARATUS



MISS MURCHISON



MR. PRIVOTT

## DEDICATION

In dedicating our annual this year and in keeping with our advertising scheme, we, the 1950 Hi-Noc-Ar Staff, submit the following slogans as being applicable to our dedicatees:

Instead of *Pride of Willow Run*—it's the "Pride of R. M. H. S."  
*The Peak of Perfection* tells the rest.

You bet we can *Put our confidence in*—  
*Nothing could be finer*—and never has been.

"So well-rounded, so steadfast, so full of information;  
so free and willings to aid."  
Just as they say *The Best Outboards Ever Built*,  
We say, "The Best Teachers Ever Made."

*Finest for '50* and years to come;  
*The Gold Medal of Achievement*—and then some.

As they say about Stokley's Canned Peaches:  
*The Peaches You'd Choose If You Did The Picking*.  
Well, we did the picking, but, "*instead of a peach*,  
*We picked a pair*."

MISS ALMA MURCHISON

MR. EARL PRIVOTT



MR. D. S. JOHNSON  
Superintendent of Rocky Mount  
City Schools

Graduated from Duke University with  
B. A. 1924. Obtained M. A. at Duke  
in 1929.



MR. CYRUS M. EDSON  
Principal of Rocky Mount  
High School

A. B. and M. A. University of N. C.

*Peggy, your work during the past  
four years has been most outstanding.  
We truly appreciate all you have  
done. Good Luck!!*  
*C. M. Edson*

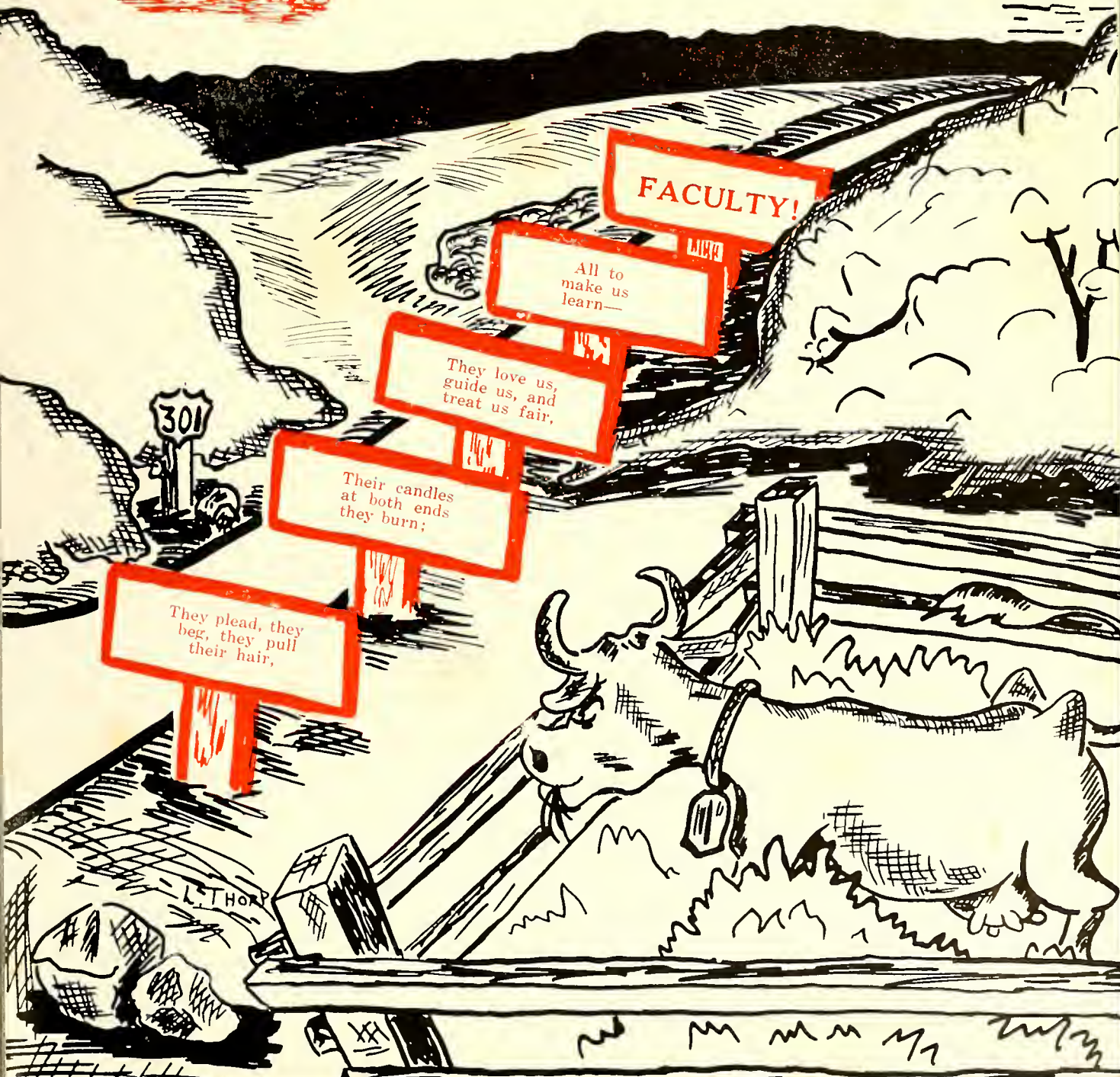


#### SCHOOL BOARD

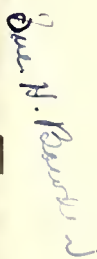
STANDING (left to right)—Mr. Myers Ivey, Mr. William Coleman, Mrs. Julian Whitehurst, Mr. W. L. Thorp, Mr. Thomas J. Pearsall. SEATED (left to right)—Mr. George S. Edwards, Mr. D. S. Johnson.



# *"Time to Retire"*



Becky -  
You're going  
to work for  
the corporation  
next week!



*Mathematics, Director of Athletics, A. B. Duke University,  
Graduate work—Columbia, U. N. C.*

*Industrial Arts, Vocational Education Supervisor, Vocational Education, Rocky Mount City Schools, B. Ed. Eastern Ill. Teachers' College, Graduate work Ohio State University.*

*Dramatics; B. A. Greensboro College.*

*Commercial Education, Advisor Good Sports Club; B. S. S. A., Woman's College of U. N. C.*

*Mathematics, Sponsor for National Honor Society; A. B., E. C. T. C.; M. A., Duke University; Graduate work, University of Chicago, Columbia.*

*Commercial Education; A. B., E. C. T. C.; M. A., New York University.*

Secretary to Principal.

*Woodwork, Drawing, D. O.; B. S., Georgia Teachers' College.*

*Science, Civics, Athletics Coach; B. S. Appalachian State Teachers' College; Graduate work, U. N. C., A. S. T. C.*

*French, Civics, Sponsor for Service Club; A. B. George Washington University.*

*English, Spanish; A. B., W. C. U. N. C.; Graduate work, Duke, W. C. U. N. C.*

*English; A. B., W. C. U. N. C., M. A., Duke.*

*History, Civics, A. B. University of North Carolina; Graduate work, University of N. C.*

*A. B. Saint Mary's Junior College, Raleigh, N. C., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C.*

*English, Advisor Good Sports Club, Cheerleaders; A. B. East Carolina Teachers' College; Graduate work, University of North Carolina.*

*English, Chairman English Department; A. B. Woman's College of U. N. C.; Graduate work, Columbia University, University of North Carolina.*

*English, Dean of Girls, Counselling, Advisor for Student Government Organization, Director of Social Program, Coordinator for R. M. Future Teachers; A. B., U. N. C., M. A., Columbia; Graduate work, Northwestern University, U. N. C.*

*Physical Education, Athletics Coach; B. S. East Tennessee State College; Graduate work, University of Southern California.*

# Faculty of '50

**MRS. THELMA B. LUNDY**

*Girls Physical Education, Advisor for G. A. A.; B. S. East Tennessee State College.*

**MISS BETTY LOU McCLURE**

*Speech; B. S. Meredith College; Graduate work, University of North Carolina.*

**MR. A. MALLOY MCGREGOR**

*Mathematics, Business Manager of Athletics, Senior Class Sponsor; A. B., M. A., University of South Carolina; Graduate work, University of Virginia, Peabody University of Chicago, University of North Carolina.*

**MISS EDNA McLAUGHLIN**

*Latin, Sponsor for Senior Tri-Hi-Y; B. A. Flora MacDonald College; Graduate work, Wake Forest College.*

**MISS DORIS MEEKINS**

*Art; A. E. George Peabody College for Teachers; Graduate work, Peabody Adult Art Class Sponsored by Woman's Club.*

**MISS ALMA MURCHISON**

*English, Co-Advisor Hi-Noc-Ar; B. S. Mary Washington College; Graduate work, Wake Forest College.*

**MISS IOLA PARKER**

*History, Advisor for Student World Federalist; A. B. Woman's College of U. N. C.; Graduate work, Duke University.*

**MR. H. T. PARRY**

*Band, Choir; B. S. Drake University; Graduate work, Northwestern.*

**MISS ELEANOR PEARSALL**

*Librarian; A. B., Goncher College; Graduate work, B. S. University of N. C., New University, Columbia.*

**MR. C. E. PRIVOTT**

*Science, Chemistry, Physics, Co-Advisor Hi-Noc-Ar; B. S. and M. A., Wake Forest; Graduate work, Wake Forest.*

**MISS MARGARET RICKS**

*Geometry, Trig.; B. A. Converse, Georgetown, Peabody; Graduate work, M. A. Georgetown, M. A. Peabody.*

**MISS JEAN MARCIA RIDDLE**

*Distributive Education, Advisor for Freshman Girls Hi-Y, D. E. Club; B. S. Richmond Professional Institute.*

**MISS ATHLEEN TURNAGE**

*Mathematics, History, Advisor for Junior Red Cross Club; A. B. Woman's College of U. N. C.; Graduate work, University of N. C., University of Virginia.*

**MRS. ORA VANBUSKIRK**

*Biology, Science, Junior Class Advisor; A. B. Elon College; Graduate work, M. A. Duke University.*

**MISS RUBIE VAUSE**

*English; B. A. Duke University.*

**MRS. EUNICE WILLIAMS**

*Home Economics; B. S. Woman's College of U. N. C.*

**MISS HAZEL WORSLEY**

*Piano; B. A. Woman's College of U. N. C.; Graduate work, Columbia, Carolina, Woman's College.*

**MRS. T. D. YOUNG**

*English, Journalism, Advisor for The Blackbird; A. B. Duke University.*





Queen Robin and her court, 1949



Solid Geometry? Nothing any harder



Poley and Mandy



So round, so firm . . .



Traffic Committee bull session

*Best of everything, says its rally been here at 3475 Chicago Russ C.*



Pearsall is besieged



Smile Peggy! 1949



Senior steps are crowded



Loyal  
Seniors  
Make  
Final  
Triumph!



I been going for  
to this school for  
right on to  
44 years...

SENIORS!

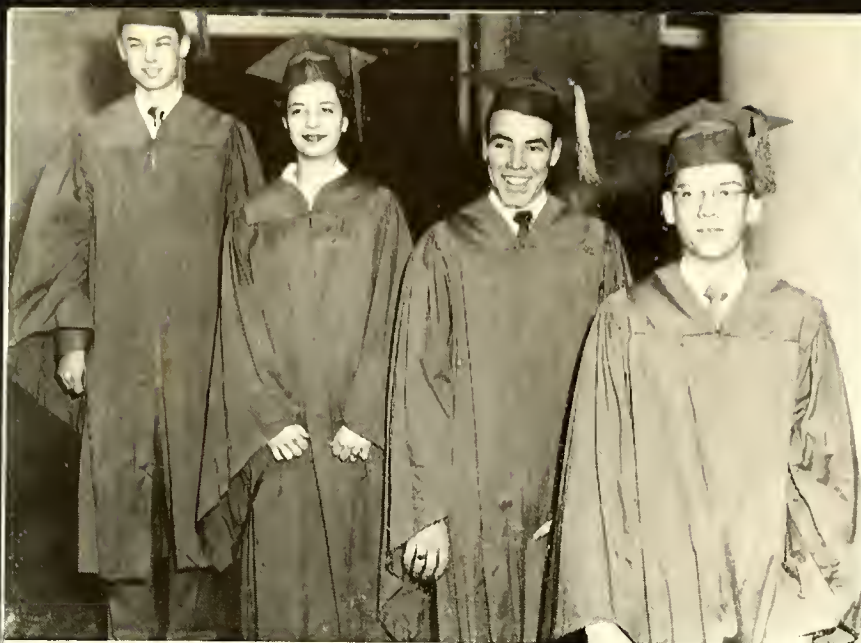
And are "big  
wheels" in  
every way?

Get to wear  
a cap and  
gown?

Have sacred steps  
and a very  
special day?

Who walk out  
of assembly  
first?

L.T. HORN



## *Senior Class Officers*

### FALL SEMESTER

Kenneth Little, *Secretary*  
 Winnie Lou Bradley, *Treasurer*  
 Palmer Maples, Jr., *Vice-President*  
 Norman Johnson, *President*

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

At the beginning of the fall semester the Seniors undertook a project to raise money for the gift which they plan to leave the school. As their project the Seniors adopted the sale of Christmas cards and stationery. Through the cooperation of the officers, teachers and members of the class \$256.81 was raised. Mary Alice Trevathan was top salesman; Miss Birkhead's and Mrs. VanBuskirk's home rooms were tops in the home room fields, and Bobby Gorham, Thomas Pierce, Bruce Henry, Dee Wilkinson, Peggy Hedgepeth, Betty Sutton, Ruth Wiggins, Jo Ann O'Donnell and Margaret Frazier won honorable mention. Near the end of the semester the Seniors began taking the Kuder Test to help them in their vocational choices.

With the start of the Second Semester the Seniors began a series of class meetings on the problems of marriage and family life. Dr. K. Weeks spoke on the physical side of marriage; Reverend C. C. Campbell, pastor of the First Christian Church, approached the subject from the spiritual angle, and the climax of the series came with the visit of Dr. Leland Wood, outstanding authority on Human Relations. The series was well received by the class. Near the end of school a number of committees were at work, planning for the various Commencement activities. Miss Alexander graciously consented to direct the Senior Play, "Love Is too Much Trouble," and a packed house witnessed this hilarious comedy of college life. May 24 found the class having the time of their lives on "Senior Day." For the first time since the institution of this special event, a full day's program was planned beginning with a special breakfast at the Ricks Hotel, continuing with a talent program in the auditorium, and climaxed by a weiner roast given by the P. T. S. A., followed by a movie as guests of the Center Theater. After a full and happy year the Seniors look forward to "Graduation 1950" as a splendid climax to their high school careers.

## *Senior Class Officers*

### SPRING SEMESTER

Broadus Rose, *President*  
 Clark Rogers, *Secretary*  
 Miss Turnage, *Advisor*  
 Norman Johnson, *Treasurer*  
 Alton Elmore, *Vice-President*



## Seniors of '50

HERMAN ALLEN  
*Choir; Edsonians.*

GEORGE BATCHLOR, JR.  
*Vice-President of Distributive Education Class; Home Room Offices; Boy Scout.*

HAROLD ANDERSON  
*Baseball; Boy Scout; President of English Class; Choir; Home Room Treasurer.*

ED BATTLE

BILL ANDREWS  
*Band; Boys' Chorus; Secretary of Home Room; Football; Photography Club.*

ROBERT BECKNELL  
*Vice-President of Home Room; Member of D. E. Club.*

BOBBY JO BAKER  
*Home Room Offices; Tennis Team; State Tennis Champion; Varsity Football; Senior Superlative '49; Traffic Committee; Student Government Representative.*

JESSE BELL  
*President of Home Room; National Honor Society.*

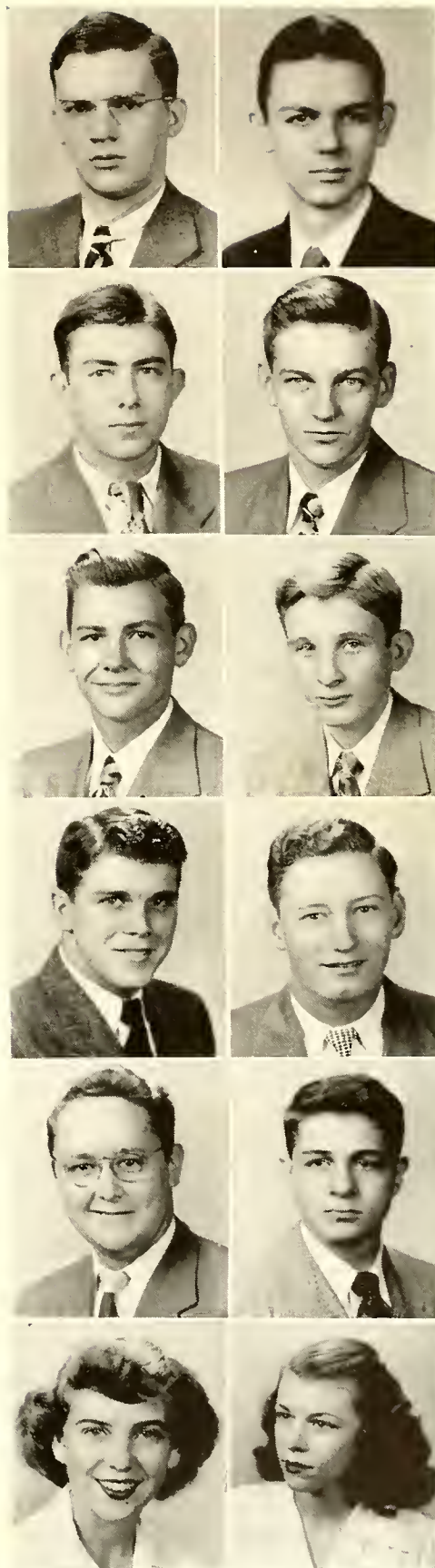
WILLIAM A. BARNES  
*President of Home Room; President of Public Speaking Club; Football Team; Choir.*

JOE BENNETT  
*Home Room Offices; Representative of Student Organization; Program Committee; Boys' State Delegate; Social Committee; Treasurer of Junior Class; Invitation Committee for Junior-Senior Dance; Football; Choir; Shop Club; Traffic Committee; National Honor Society; Treasurer of Service Club; Senior Day Committee; Elections Committee.*

JOYCE BARNHILL  
*Choir; Dramatics Club; Pianist for Music Club.*

BARBARA BEST

THE 1950 HI-NOC-AR



## Seniors of '50

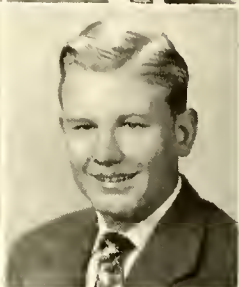


KENNETH BLOCKER

*Varsity Football; Home Room Offices.*

D. YORK BRANNOCK, JR.

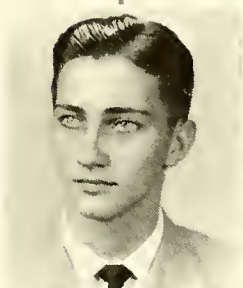
*Home Room Offices; Home Room Representative; Secretary of Service Club; Secretary of the National Honor Society; Biology Soap Carving Award, 1947-48; Treasurer of Student World Federalists; Invitation Committee for Junior-Senior Dance.*



MARY FRANCES BLOUNT

*Home Room Offices; Dramatics Club; Edsonians; Choir; Tri-Hi-Y.*

BILLY BROOKS

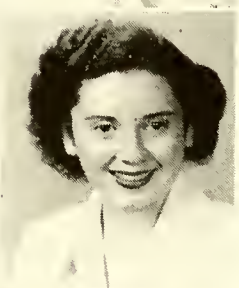


RALPH BOBBITT, JR.

*Home Room Representative; Boy Scouts; Hi-Y; Fire-drill Committee; Home Room Offices.*

NANCY BROWN

*Secretary of Home Room; Home Room Representative; Tri-Hi-Y; G. A. A.*

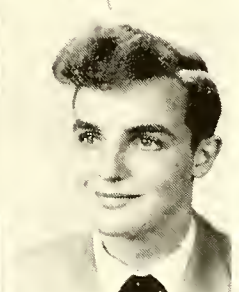
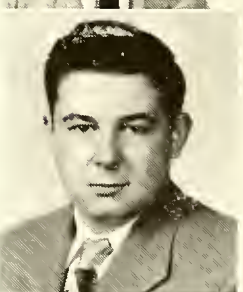


JOHN BOOTH

*"B" Squad Football; Baseball Manager; Choir; Black-bird Clown; Home Room Representative; Edsonians; Foreman of Shop Class.*

PATRICIA BROWN (PAT)

*Home Room Representative to Student Government; Invitation Committee for Senior Class.*

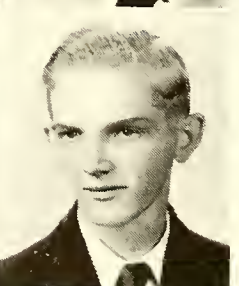


BILL BOYETTE

*Varsity Basketball; Beta Club (Belvoir); Boys' Chorus; National Guard.*

ROBERT L. BROWNING

*Home Room President; Boy Scout; Tri-Hi-Y; "B" Squad Football; "B" Squad Basketball; D. E. Treasurer; D. E. Delegate to Greensboro Convention; Woodshop Club; Student Government Representative.*



WINNIE LOU BRADLEY

*Home Room Offices; Decoration Committee for Junior-Senior; Secretary of Good Sports Club; Junior and Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Student Government Representative; Black Masquers; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Treasurer of Senior Class; Senior Superlative; Honors at Dramatics Festival; Speech Choir; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff.*

MARSHALL CAMPBELL

# Seniors of '50

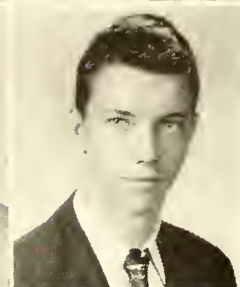
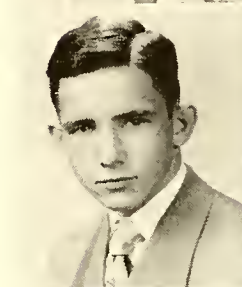
## DONA JEAN CAPPS

*Freshman Music Club; Secretary Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Vice-President Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Home Room Offices; Sponsor for Football Game; Miss Print '48-'49; Program Committee for Junior-Senior; News Editor of Blackbird Staff; Delegate to CSPA Convention; Home Room Representative; Contest Play 1950; Candidate for May Court '49 and '50.*



## DORIS CHRISTOPHER

*G. A. A.; Secretary for Miss Parker; Home Room Committees.*

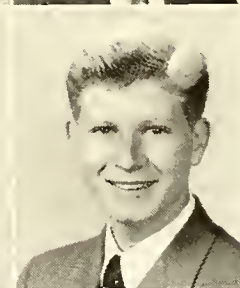
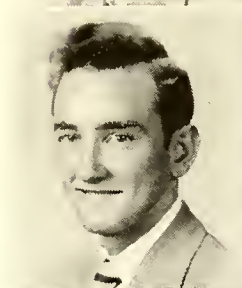


## BILL CARR

*Boy Scout, Home Room President; "B" Squad Football; Home Room Treasurer; Hi-Y; "A" Squad Football.*

## RUSSELL COWELL

*Junior-Senior Hi-Y; Photography Club; Band; Home Room Offices; Vice-President of Service Club; National Honor Society; Sports Editor of Blackbird; World Federalist; Kewanis Boy of the Month; Marshal; Chairman of Traffic Committee; Speech Choir; Student Announcer of Home Football Games; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Entertainment Committee for Junior-Senior; Chairman of Gift Committee for Senior Class; Contest Play.*

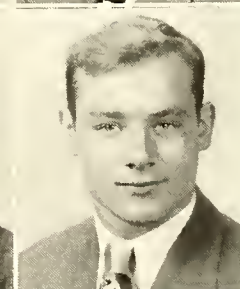
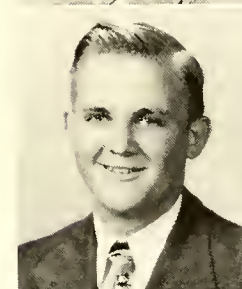


## ARNOLD CHARLES

*Home Room President; Home Room Vice-President; Decoration Committee for Freshman Dance; Choir.*

## TOMMIE CROCKER

*"B" Squad Football; Home Room Representative; Home Room Offices; Dramatics Club; Eagle Scout; Hi-Y; Choir; Traffic Committee.*

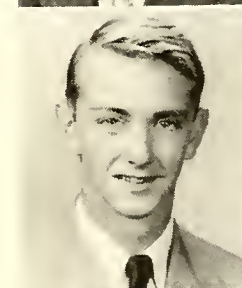


## DREW CLACK

*Boy Scout; Home Room Offices; Class Offices; Home Room Representative.*

## ELIARD CROOM, JR.

*"B" Squad Football; Varsity Football; Home Room Offices.*



## DONALD COOPER

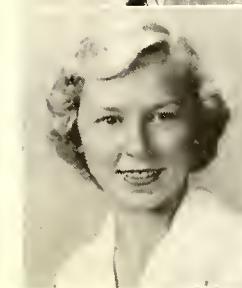
*Home Room Offices; Class Offices; Fire Drill Committee; Commencement Committee; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*

## ARMERELIOUS CULPEPPER

*Red Cross Committee; Service Club; Choir; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; F. H. A.; Class Offices.*

## NANNIE MAC COOPER

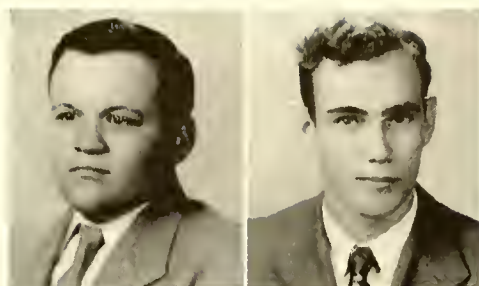
*Dramatics Club; Home Room Offices; Class Offices; Home Room Representative; Announcement Committee.*



## FRANCIS DAIL

*Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*

## Seniors of '50



DALTON DANIEL

LELAND DOWNING

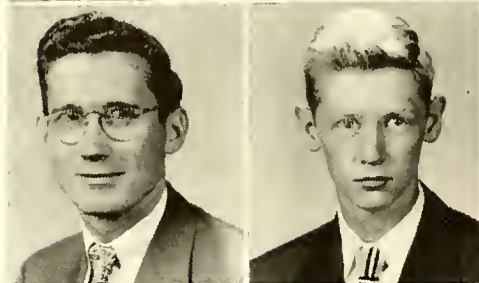
*Literary and Feature Editor of Blackbird.*

CHARLES DANIELS

*Baseball; Invitation Committee for Freshman Dance; D. O. Club; Dramatics Club.*

WALTER EARLY

*Band '49-'50; Drum Major of Band; President and Vice-President of Home Room; President of Latin Class.*

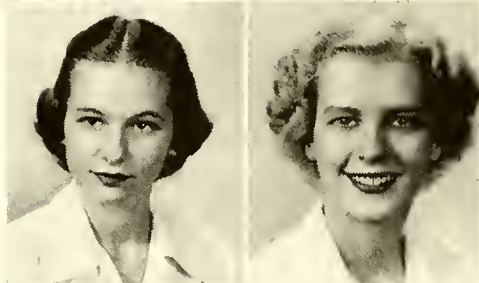


PEGGY DAUGHTRIDGE

*Program Committee for Junior-Senior; President of Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Secretary of Student Organization; Treasurer of N. C. Eastern District Student Council Congress; Dramatics Club; Head Cheerleader; Vice-President of Good Sports Club; Service Club; President and Vice-President of National Honor Society; Delegate to State Honor Society Convention; Chairman of Baccalaureate Sermon Committee; C. P. S. A. Convention in N. Y.; American Legion Medal; Senior Superlative; National High School Register; Marshal; Miss Print Contest; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff.*

LOUISE EASTERLING

*National Honor Society; President and Secretary of Service Club; President of Good Sports Club; Tri-Hi-Y; President of Edsonians; Secretary of Black Masquers; Secretary of Eastern District Student Council Congress; High School Register; Vice-President and Secretary of World Federalists; Chairman of Elections Committee; Red Cross; Civitan Citizenship Award; Blackbird Staff; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; Junior-Senior Dance Committee; Senior Superlative; Contest Play; Senior Day Committee.*

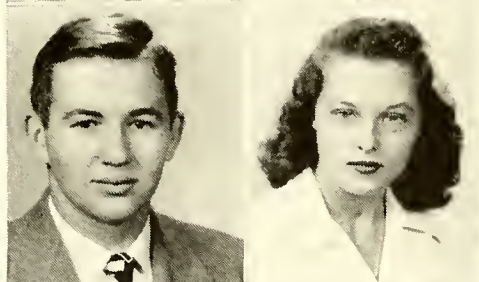


MELBOURNE DAVIS

*Varsity Football; Basketball Manager.*

PEGGY EDMONDSON

*National Honor Society President; Good Sports Club; Service Club; Junior Music Club; Secretary of Junior Class; Entertainment Committee for Junior-Senior; Junior-Senior Beauty Court, '49; Blackbird Staff; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; Circulation Manager; Home Room Representative; Home Room Offices; Superlative; Senior Class Gift Committee; Tri-Hi-Y; Marshal; C.S.P.A. Convention in N. Y.; Stunt Night; Miss Print Contest.*

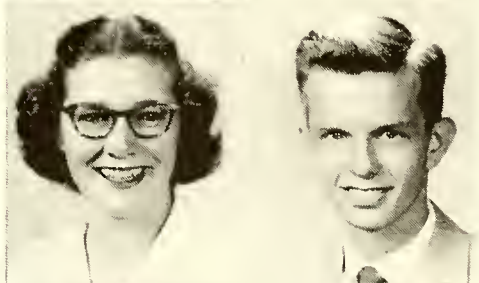


PEGGY DENTON

*Home Room Offices; Chairman of Lost and Found Committee; Chairman of Social Committee; Speech Choir; Graduation Committee of Caps and Gowns; National Honor Society; Good Sports Club; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Delegate to Girl's State; Delegate to State District Council Congress; Tri-Hi-Y; High School Register; Senior Superlative; Refreshment Committee for Junior-Senior; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff.*

ALTON ELMORE

*Vice-President of Sophomore Class; Junior Varsity Basketball, '48-'49; Choir, '49-'50; Vice-President of Senior Class; Treasurer of National Honor Society; Speech Choir '50; Service Club; Junior Music Club; Senior Superlatives; Delegate to National Honor Society Convention; Red Cross Delegate to Summer Camp; Junior-Senior Program Committee; Home Room Offices; Kiwanis Boy of the Month.*

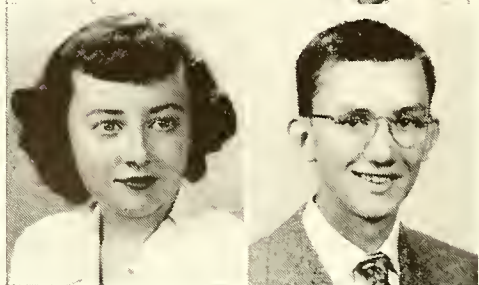


SYLVIA ANN DIEHL

*Home Room Offices; Tri-Hi-Y; Home Room Representatives; Refreshment Committee for Sophomore Dance; World Federalist; Refreshment Committee for Junior-Senior; National Honor Society.*

EDWARD ENGLISH

*Tennis Team, "B" Squad Basketball; D. E. Club Secretary and Treasurer; Alternate Delegate to National D. E. Convention; Boy Scout; Shop Club.*



# Seniors of '50

## FRANCES ENGLISH

Home Room Representative; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Home Room Treasurer; Speech Choir; Choir.

## P. L. FRAZIER, JR.

D. E. Club.

## DOROTHY EVANS

Home Room Offices; Student Representative; Choir; G. A. A.; Vice-President of General Business Class.

## BARBARA FULLER

Speech Choir; Secretary of Girls' Chorus; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Home Room Offices; Runner-up to "Campus Sweetheart"; Miss Print Contest; Candidate for Junior-Senior Queen, '49 and '50; Senior Superlative; Football Sponsor.

## JOHN DAVID EVERETTE

Vice-President of Home Room; Secretary of Home Room; Woodshop Club.

## GLORIA FUTCH

Home Room President; Home Room Representative; Girls' Chorus; Tri-Hi-Y; Candidate for May Queen; Member of G. A. A.

## JOHN DAVID EZZELLE

Junior Varsity Football; Junior Varsity Basketball; Varsity Football; Boy Scout

## ROBERT GARDNER

Red Cross Representative; Life Scout; D. E. Club.

## BARBARA FLOYD

Freshman Music Club; Home Room Offices; Candidate for Beauty Queen, '49; Future Teachers of America; World Federalists; Speech Choir; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Black Masquers; Tri-Hi-Y; Blackbird Staff; Assistant Business Manager.

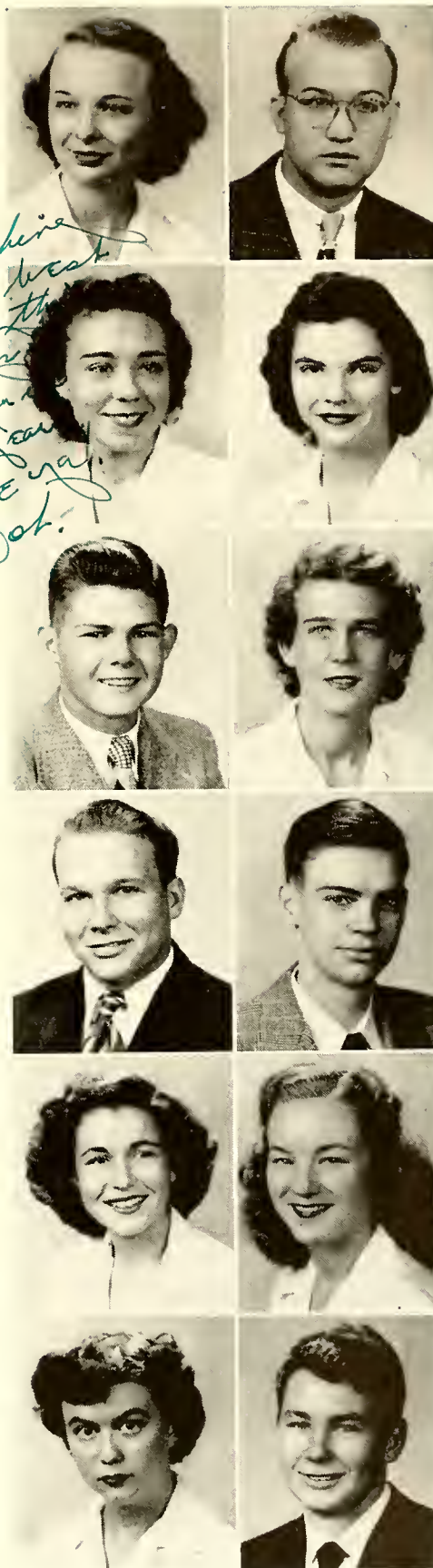
## INEZ GARDNER

## MARGARET JOYCE FRAZIER

Choir.

## MACK GAY

"B" Squad Football; Varsity Football; Hi-Y; President of Home Room.



## Seniors of '50



### ARLEEN GELINE

*Home Room Representative; Secretary of Future Teachers of America; Publicity Chairman of Student World Federalists; Advertising Manager of Blackbird; Home Room Offices; Delegate to World Federalist Convention in Greensboro; Dramatics Club.*

### WILTON HALL

*Wood Shop; Vice-President and President of the Distributive Education Clubs for 1948-49; Mechanical Drawing.*

### BILL GERARD

*Handbook Committee; Home Room Representative; Junior-Senior Music Committee; Home Room Offices.*

### ELAINE HARDY

*Home Room Representative; Vice-President of Junior Class; Good Sports Club; Senior Superlative; Junior and Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Choir; Secretary of Home Room; Dramatics Club; May Court at Junior-Senior.*

### GEORGE GOODWYN

*"A" and "B" Squad Football; Treasurer of Home Room; Choir and Band; Dramatics Club; Traffic Committee; Scout; Announcement and Invitation Committee.*

### PEGGY HEDGEPEETH

*Home Room Offices; G. A. A.; Student Organization Representative; Decorations Committee Chairman for Sophomore Dance; Treasurer of Junior Class; Vice-President of Speech Choir; Treasurer of F. H. A.; Secretary to Miss Riddle; Secretary of Shorthand II; Chairman of Announcement Committee; Chairman Reunion Committee; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*

### BOBBY GORHAM

*Editor of Hi-Noc-Ar; Stage Manager; National Honor Society; Service Club; Black Masquers; Edsonian Drama Festival Plays; Chairman of Graduation Day Committee; Kiwanis Boy of Month; Student Government Cabinet; Delegate to Boys' State; Magazine Campaign Chairman; Debating Club; Junior Varsity Basketball; Student Government Representative; Concession Stand Chairman; Social Committee Member; Photography Club; Senior Superlative; National High School Register.*

### BRUCE HENRY

*Treasurer of G. A. A.; Sophomore Stunt Night Committee; Point Recorder of G. A. A.; Secretary of Home Room; Red Cross Representative; Tennis Club; Good Sports Club; President of Home Room; Choir; Member of Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Senior Superlative.*

### PEGGY GRIFFIN

*Miss Print Contest; Candidate for Junior-Senior Queen; Vice-President of Service Club; Secretary of Good Sports; Freshman Dramatics Club; Secretary of Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Senior Day Committee; Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Chorus; Speech Choir; Edsonian Dramatics Organization; Red Cross Representative; Home Room Offices; Secretary of Junior Class; Football Sponsor; Choir Clinic; Delegate to E.C.T.C.*

### JOANNE HOLT

*President of Home Room; Choir; Band; Contest Plays; Black Masquers; Junior and Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Senior Day Committee; Dramatics Medal; Profile on Youth; Carolina Dramatic Association \$300 Acting Scholarship.*

### GAVEON HAGGARD

*Freshman Dramatics Club; Future Homemaker of America; Choir; Tri-Hi-Y; Home Beautification Committee; Home Room Office.*

### EUNICE HUX

*G. A. A.*

# Seniors of '50

## MARY AGNES JACKSON

Choir; Treasurer of Home Room; Secretary of Eastern District of Distributive Education Clubs of N. C.; Distributive Education Club.

## DUNCAN HAYWOOD JONES

Home Room Representative; Debating Club; Traffic Committee; Home Room Offices.

## PAT JAMES

Home Room Offices; Student Government Representative; All-State Band; Class Offices; Band; Choir; Speech Choir; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.

## E. H. JONES

"B" Squad Football, '74; Varsity Football, '48 '49; Traffic Committee; Choir.

## REBECCA JERNIGAN

Home Room Committees; G. A. A.; Thursday Music Club; F. H. A.; Choir; Band.

## BOB JOYNER

President Home Room; Student Government Representative; President American History Class; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; Invitation Committee for Junior-Senior, 1949; Sponsor Football Game; Traffic Committee.

## EMILY JOHNSON

Home Room Vice-President; Dramatics Club; Class Offices; Girls Chorus; Home Room Representative; Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Reunion Committee.

## WILLIAM E. JOYNER, JR.

Photography Club; President of Sophomore Class; Band.

## NORMAN JOHNSON

President of Senior Class; Treasurer of Senior Class; Secretary of Sophomore Class; President Service Club; Secretary National Honor Society; Treasurer of Student World Federalists; Treasurer Senior Hi-Y; Kiwanis Boy of Month; Sports Editor of Blackbird; Home Room Offices; Chairman of Nominating Committee for the State National Honor Society Convention; Treasurer of Junior Red Cross; Delegate to Boys' State; "Who's Who in High Schools."

## MATT KEMP

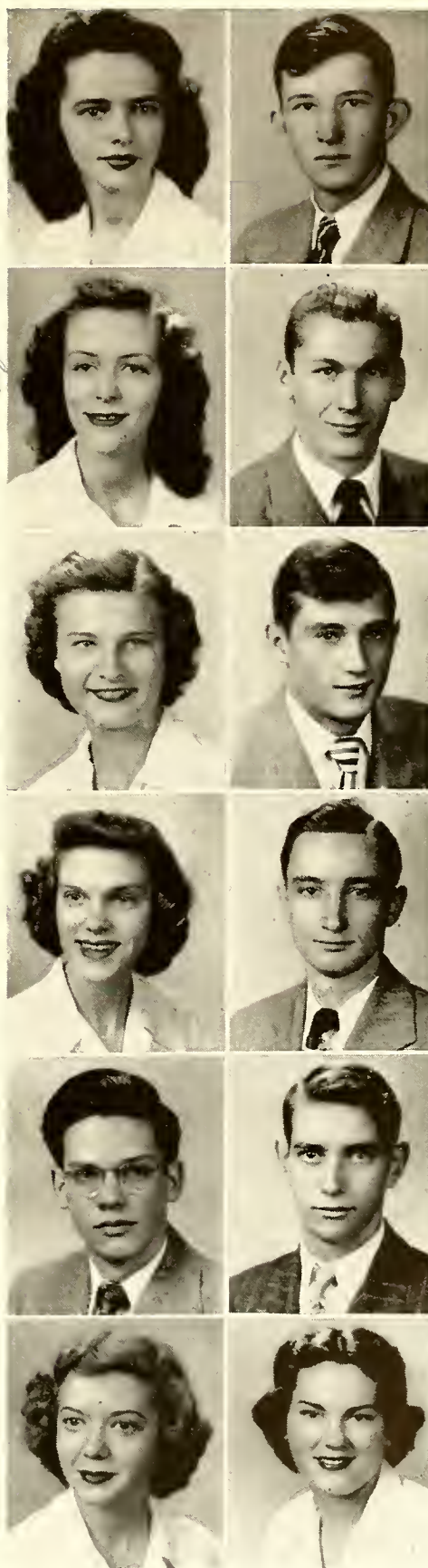
Vice-President Home Room; Chairman Home Room Beautification Committee.

## TOMMYE JOHNSON

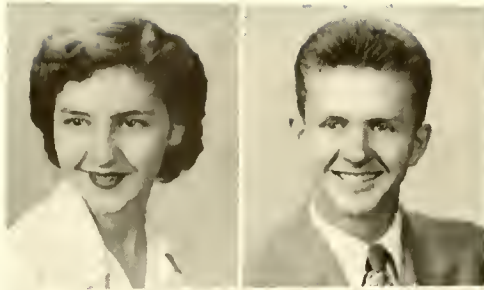
Vice-President of Dramatics Club; Junior Music Club; Band; Class Offices; Red Cross Council; Secretary of Tri-Hi-Y; Treasurer of Home Room; Vice-President of Good Sports Club; Service Club; World Federalist; Speech Choir; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.

## ELIZABETH KING

Vice-President of Home Room; Hi-Y, '47; Secretary Home Room; Invitation Committee Junior-Senior.

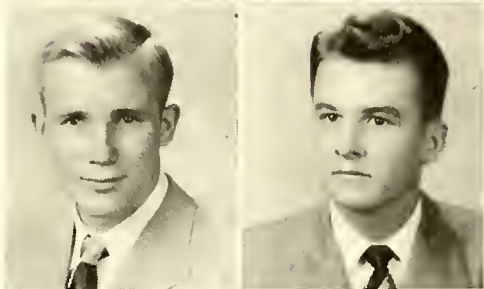


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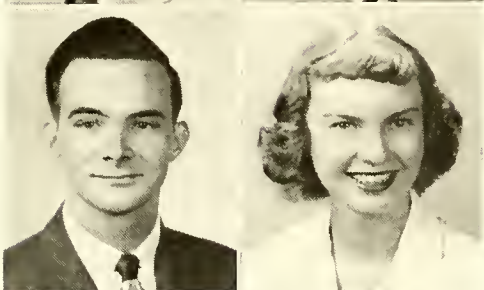
**MILDRED LANIER**

*President of G. A. A.; Dramatics Club; Treasurer of G. A. A.; Secretary of the Eastern District of N. C. for G. A. A.; Choir; Home Room Offices.*



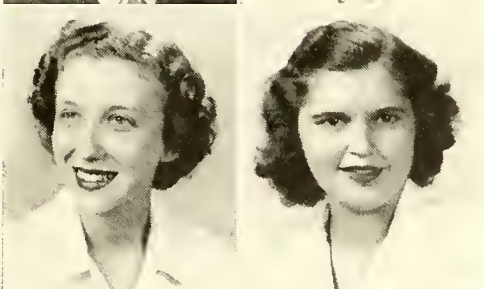
**JOE LORE**

*Debating Club; Home Room President; Red Cross Representative; Student Government Representative; Subject Class Officers; Sophomore Representative on Social Committee; Band; Vice-President Junior Class.*



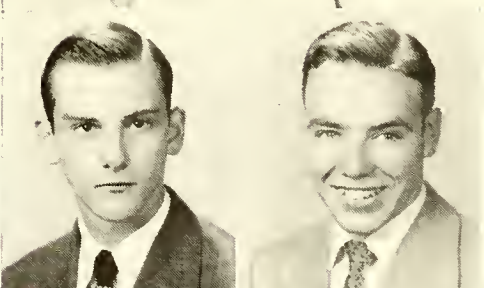
**HUGH LAUGHRIDGE**

*Baseball; Basketball; Football.*



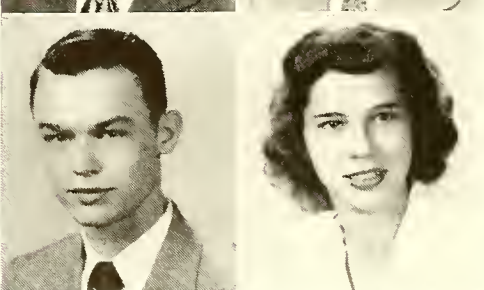
**GENE FLEMING LYON**

*Vice-President Freshman Class; Home Room Offices; "B" Squad Football Team; Traffic Committee; Hi-Y; Speech Choir; Senior Superlative; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Baccalaureate Sermon Committee; Music Committee Junior-Senior; Stage Crew.*



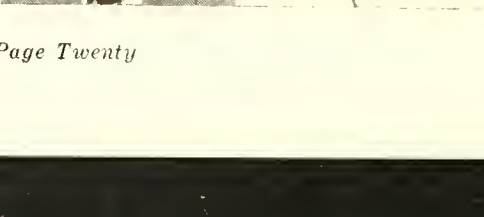
**CLYDE LEE**

*Home Room Treasurer; Home Room Representative; Choir; Class Offices.*



**EDITH ANN MANGUM**

*Junior and Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Debating Team; Junior Music Club; Good Sports Club; Service Club; National Honor Society; President and Vice-President of the Student World Federalists; Delegate to Southeastern World Government Institute; Delegate to State World Federalist Convention; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; National Federation of Student Musicians; Baccalaureate Committee; Secretary of Senior Home Room; Methodist Fellowship Team for Rocky Mount District; Decorations Committee for Sophomore Dance.*



**PHYLLIS LEGGETT**

*National Honor Society; Student Government Treasurer; Senior Superlatives; Accompanist for Choir; Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Vice-President Student World Federalists; Junior Music Club; Debating Team; Home Room Offices; Class Committees; Speech Choir; Chairman of Student Government Scrapbook Committee; Delegate to State Student Council; Business Manager of Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Marshal for Commencement.*

**ELEANOR LOIS MANGUM**

*Representative Junior Red Cross; Representative Student Government; G. A. A.; Junior and Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Chairman of Home Room Social Committee; Dramatic Club; Secretary of Home Room; Election Committee for Senior Class; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Freshman Music Club.*

**CARROLL LIFSEY**

*Shop Club; Boy Scout.*

**PALMER MAPLES, JR.**

*"A" and "B" Football Squads; Vice-President and Secretary of Home Room; Vice-President of Senior Class; Choir; Hi-Y; Refreshment Committee for Junior-Senior.*

**KENNETH LITTLE**

*Home Room Offices; Delegate to Boys' State; Delegate to D. E. Convention; D. E. Club; Decoration Committee for Junior-Senior; Representative to Student Organization; Secretary of Senior Class.*

**PEGGY MARTIN**

*Secretary of G. A. A.; President of Dramatics Club; Student Organization; F. H. A.; Chairman of Social Committee; President of Tri-Hi-Y; Chairman Social Committee; Treasurer of Home Room; Tennis Club; Home Room Secretary; Committee for Junior-Senior Dance; President Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Social Committee; Speech Choir; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*

## Seniors of '50

PEGGY MATTHEWS

JOHN BARRY MURPHY

*President of Home Room; Treasurer of Home Room; Freshman Woodshop Club; Traffic Committee; Band; Captain of the Band.*

HOWARD McADAMS

*Home Room Offices; Treasurer of Freshman Class; President of Sophomore Class; Hi-Y; Chairman of Traffic Committee; Varsity Football; Varsity Basketball.*

DONALD NETHERY

JAMES LLOYD McLEMORE, JR.

*"B" Squad Football; Varsity; Chorus; D. E. Club; Delegate to Goldsboro for D. E.; President American History Class; Vice-President of English Class; Home Room President; President of Civics Class; Other Home Room Offices.*

ANNE NEWTON

*Vice-President of Home Room (Fr.); Freshman Dramatic Club; Home Room Committee Choir; Senior Hi-Y; F. H. A.*

CHARLES E. MITCHELL

*D. O. Club.*

RONALD NORVILLE

*Secretary of Civics Class; Boy Scout; Jr. Varsity Basketball; Varsity Basketball; Vice-President Home Room.*

JIMMY MOORE

BILL OAKLEY

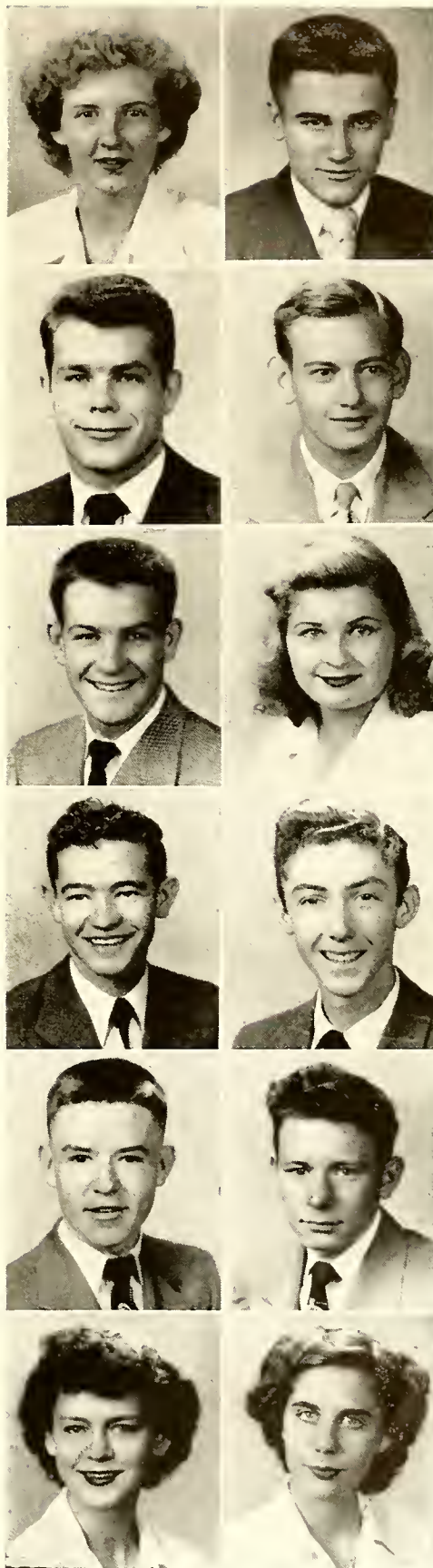
*Treasurer of Sophomore Class; Vice-President of Home Room; Decorations Committee for Junior-Senior; Red Cross Representative; Refreshment and Decoration Committee for Sophomore Class Party; Co-Chairman of Concession Stand; Co-Chairman of Home Beautification; Hi-Y; Dramatics; Stage Crew.*

MARY AGNES MOSS

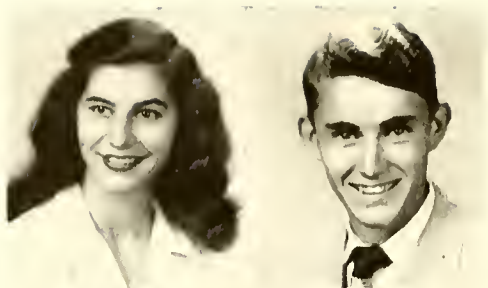
*Treasurer for F. H. A.; Chairman of Home Room Clean-up Committee; Secretary to Miss Gurley; Miss Meekins and Mrs. Gorham.*

JO ANN O'DONNELL

THE 1950 HI-NOC-AR



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MARY ELIZABETH OLIVER

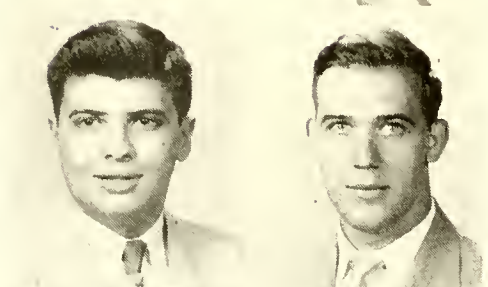
*4-H Club; F. H. A.*



ROBERT PENNINGTON

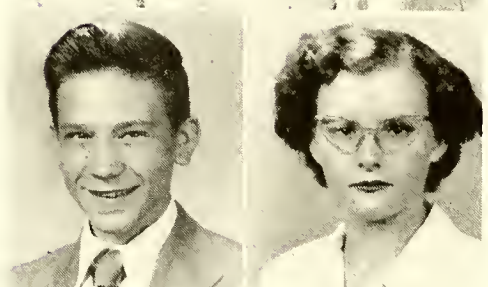
FRANCES ORR

*G. A. A.; F. H. A.; Invitation Committee for Junior-Senior Dance; Invitation Committee for Sophomore Dance; Chairman of Home Room Clean-up Committee; Lunch Bar Worker; Music Club (Fr.); Dramatics Club (Fr.); Club "O"; Speech Choir; Club 18; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*



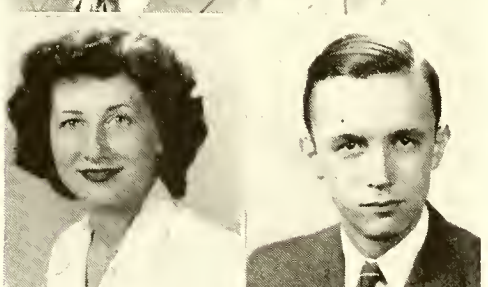
LILLIAN GRANGER PHILLIPS

*Squad Leader; President of English Class (9th); Music Club; Home Room President; Junior-Senior Decoration Committee; Home Room Representative; Home Room Secretary; Good Sports Club; Refreshment Committee for Freshman Frolic; Decoration Committee for Sophomore Dance; Tri-Hi-Y; Head of Costume Committee; Secretary of English Class; Club 18; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*



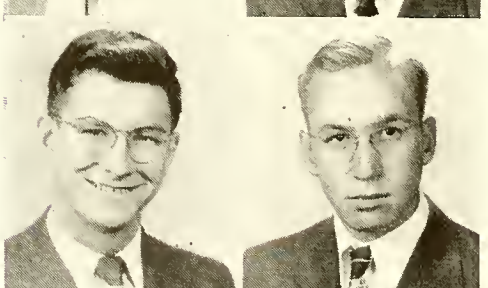
CONSTANTINE GEORGE PANTELAKOS

*Freshman Dramatics Club; Hi-Y; Home Room Treasurer; Home Room Representative; Band; All-State Band; (President) National Music Honor Society; National Honor Society; Hi-Y Convention; Freshman Stunt Night Committee; Commencement Committee.*



THOMAS EVERETT PIERCE (Shorty)

*Photography Club; Boys' Chorus; Choir; Band; All-State Band; Band Librarian.*



LOUIE LEE PATSEAVOURAS

*National Honor Society; Service Club; Secretary of Service Club; Home Room Representative; Treasurer of Freshman Class; Band; Cheerleader; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; Advertising Manager of Hi-Noc-Ar; Hi-Y; President Hi-Y; National High School Register; Chairman of Invitations Committee for Junior-Senior; Kiwanis Boy of the Month; Senior Superlative.*



PEGGY POLSON

*Choir; Office Practice; Assistant to Dean 2 Years; Secretary to Miss Kitchen; Speech; Edsonian Dramatics Organization; F. H. A.; Delegate to Girls' State; Chairman Caps and Gowns Committee; High School Register; National Honor Society.*

NANCY PATTERSON

OSCAR LOUIS PRICE

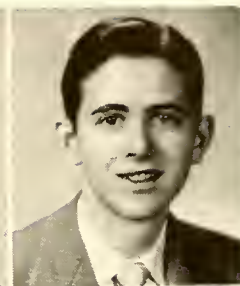
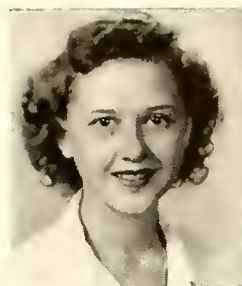
HARRY PEARSALL

*Home Room President (Fr.); Debating Club (Fr.); Band; Home Room President (Soph.); Class President (Soph.); Cheerleader; Eagle Scout; Home Room President (Jr.); Black Masquers; Service Club; Junior-Senior Committee Chairman; Edsonian Dramatics Organization; Vice-President Student Organization.*

WILLIAM PERRY PRICE

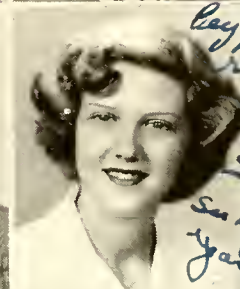
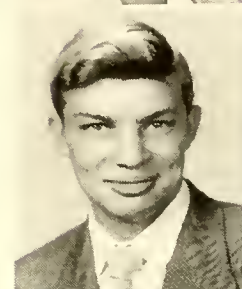
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DORIS PROCTOR



GRAVELY REID

'46-'47 Shop Club; '47-'48 Recreation Committee; Latin Class; '49-'50 Choir.

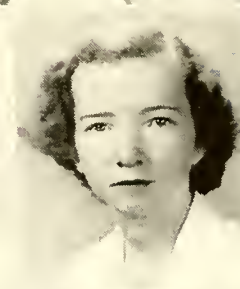


JAMES LAWRENCE PROCTOR

Band; Band Officer; Choir; Dramatics; Hi-Y; Hi-Y Conference; Traffic Committee; Junior-Senior Refreshment Committee; Photography Club; Junior Red Cross Representative.

BARBARA RICE

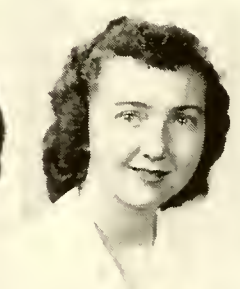
Freshman Music Club; President of World History Class; World Federalist; Delegate to Interstate Tri-Hi-Y Convention; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Choir 3, 4; Band; President Future Teachers Club 2, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2; Student Government Representative; Committee for Freshman, Sophomore, Junior-Senior Dances; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.



*Barbara it's really been a great year. Best of luck in the future. See you again. Jas. B. Baker*

MINNIE JUNE QUICK

Dramatics Club (Fr.); Secretary of Latin II Class; Secretary of Home Economics I; Invitation and Refreshment Committee of Home Room Party; Student Government Representative.

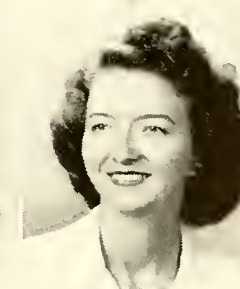
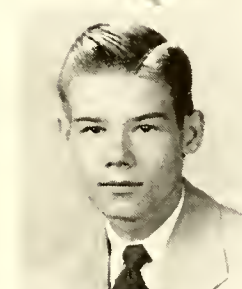


JEANETTE ROBARDS

Red Cross Representative; Devotional Chairman; Home Beautification.

PATRICIA ANN QUIGLEY (Pat)

Transfer from California.



CHRISTINE ROBBINS

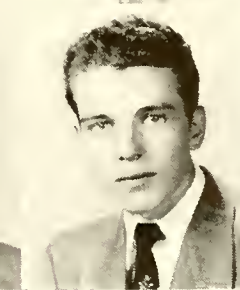
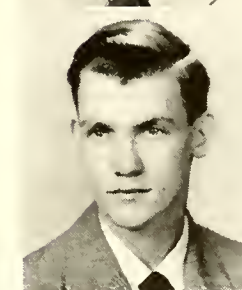
National Honor Society; President of Home Room; Home Room Representative; President of F. H. A.; Secretary of F. H. A.

RICHARD RAY

Fire Drill Committee; Choir; D. O. Club; Class Committee.

JOYCE ROGERS

Thursday Music Club; Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Red Cross; Choir; Speech Choir; Vice-President of F. H. A.; Chairman of Project Committee for F. H. A.; President of F. H. A.; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; World History Debater; Dramatics; Girls' Tennis Team.



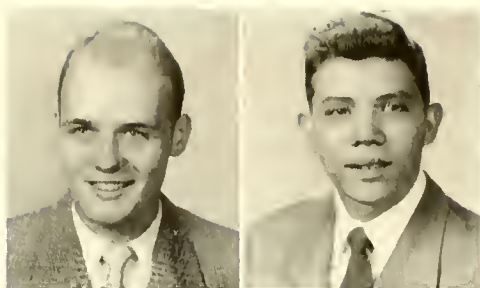
BILLY REESE

Band, three years; Varsity Basketball, four years; Fire Drill Committee; President Home Room; Sophomore Class President; Speech Choir; Red Cross; Representative to Student Government; Hi-Y.

CLARK ROGERS, JR.

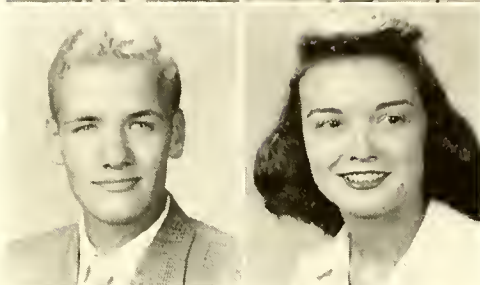
Secretary Senior Class; Red Cross Council; Art; Junior-Senior Committee; Secretary Sophomore Class; "B" Squad Basketball; Home Room Offices; Shop Club.

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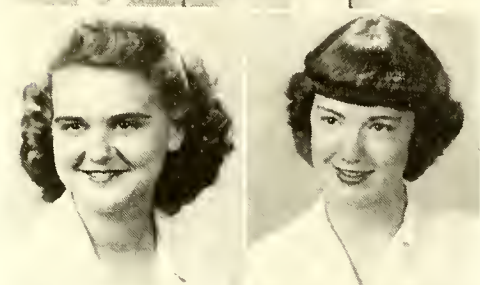
ALBERT BRUCE ROSE

*Varsity Football; Service Club; Band; Home Room Offices; Football Sponsor; Junior-Senior Decoration Committee; Junior-Senior Refreshment Committee; Traffic Committee; Student Government Representative.*



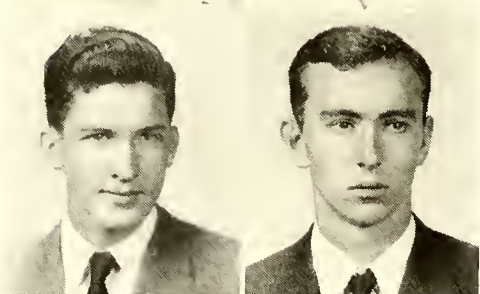
KENNETH SMITH

*Vice-President of Home Room; Student Government Representative; Member of Hi-Y; Member of Service Club; Scrapbook Committee Sophomore Year.*



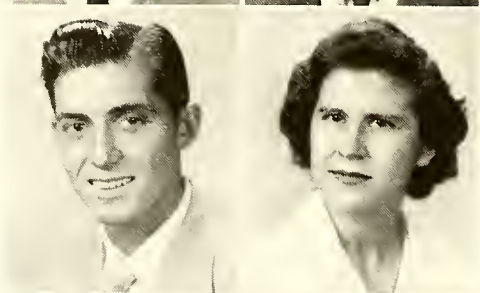
BROADUS ROSE

*Football Team, '47-'48; Service Club; President of Senior Class; Home Room Representative; Home Room Offices; Traffic Committee; Senior Gift Committee.*



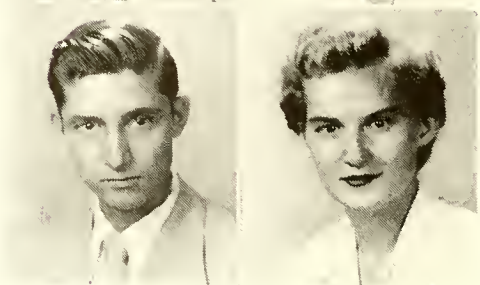
MARY ANN SMITH

*Treasurer of Wig and Mask Society; Thursday Music Club; Home Room President; Secretary of World History Class; Vice-President of Home Room; Home Room Program Chairman; F. H. A.; Treasurer of Home Room; Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Secretary to Miss Doris Hollowell.*



DOROTHY MAE RUSS

*G. A. A.; Girls Chorus.*



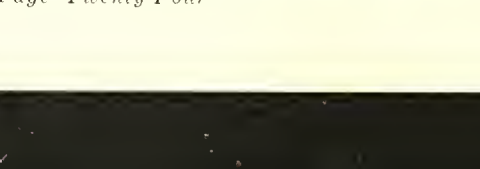
BARBARA SOUTHALL

*National Honor Society; Good Sports Club Treasurer; Hi-Noe-Ar Staff; Feature Editor of Blackbird; Freshman Dramatics Club; Secretary of Freshman Class; Vice-President of Junior Hi-Y; Senior Hi-Y; Chairman of Elections Committee of Student Organization; Secretary, President of Home Room; Co-Chairman of Program Committee for Junior-Senior; Edsonians; Contest Play; Commencement Committee; "Day With City Government" Participant; Stunt Night; Talent Assemblies; Scrapbook Committee; C.S.P.A. Convention in New York.*



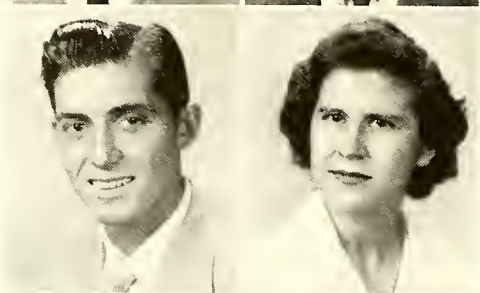
RAYMOND SAUNDERS

*Boys Choir.*



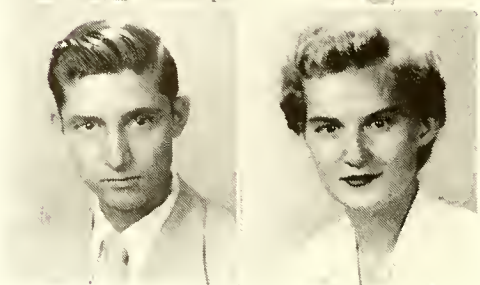
WEST SPAIN

*Varsity Baseball; "B" Squad Football.*



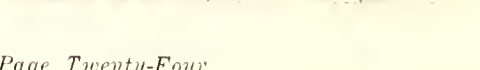
JOSEPH ERNEST SEXTON

*Varsity Football; "B" Squad Football; "B" Squad Basketball; Freshman Squad Leader; Home Room Offices; Freshman Stunt Committee; Sophomore Stunt Committee; Choir.*



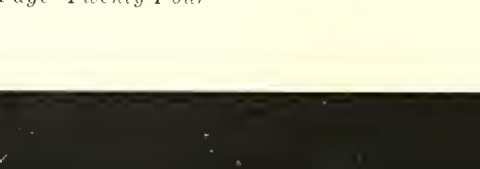
JEANETTE STANCIL

*Chairman of Red Cross; Treasurer of Sophomore Class; Home Room Offices; Student Government Representative; Class Offices; National Honor Society; Service Club; High School Register; Choir; Speech Choir; Music Chairman Junior-Senior; Alternate to Girls' State; Delegate to Red Cross Camp; State National Honor Society Delegate; Tri-Hi-Y Treasurer.*



WILLIAM MONROE SEXTON

*Basketball Team; Football Team; Boys' Chorus and Choir; All-State Voice Clinic; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.*



CAROLYN STANCIL

*Home Room Offices; President of G. A. A.; President of North Eastern District of G. A. A.; Future Teacher's Club.*

# Seniors of '50

## BILLY STRICKLAND

"B" Squad Basketball; President of Civics Class; Baseball Team; Basketball Team; President of History Class.

## JACK THOMAS

Varsity Football; Varsity Basketball, "B" Squad Football; "B" Squad Basketball; Basketball Manager; Home Room Offices.

## CHARLES STURGESS

Red Cross Committee; Traffic Committee; Baseball; Football.

## COTTY THOMPSON

Baseball; Vice-President of Boy's Chorus; Home Room Offices; President of World History.

## BETTY SUTTON

Marshal at Commencement Exercises; Girl's Athletic Association; Secretary of World History Class; Various Home Room Committees; Student Manager of Lunch Bar; Scrapbook Committee; High School Reporter; National Honor Society; Edsonian Dramatics Organization; Speech Choir; Choir.

## HERBERT HOLDEN THORP

Junior Class President; Eagle Scout; Boy's Hi-Y; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Student Government Representative; Home Room Offices; Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; President of English Class; World History Class; Red Cross Sp.aker; Wig and Mask Dramatics Club; Entertainment Committee Chairman for Freshman Dance; Football Sponsor; Stage Crew.

## PEGGY SUTTON

Home Room Representative for Four Years; Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Nominating Committee; Home Room "Booster"; Member of F. H. A.; Junior-Senior Decorating Committee; Speech Choir; Neal A. Adkins' Secretary; Treasurer of Home Room; Member of Edsonian Dramatic Organization.

## LAWRENCE HORNE THORP

Home Room Offices; Dramatics Club; Boy's Chorus; President of Civics Class; President of English Class; Choir; Business Manager of Hi-Noc-Ar Staff; Decoration Committee for Junior-Senior; Stage Crew; Eagle Scout; Winner C. D. A. Technical Scholarship, Burnsville Summer Theater, 1950; Senior Play.

## DARYL TART

Red Cross Representative; Decoration Committee for Freshman Dance; Secretary of Home Room; Dramatics Club; F. H. A.; Secretary of F. H. A.

## ANNE WIGGINS TOLER

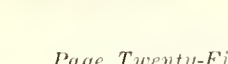
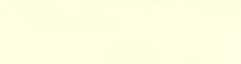
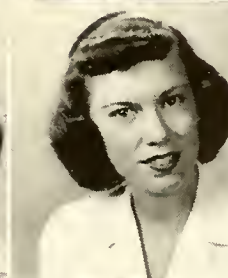
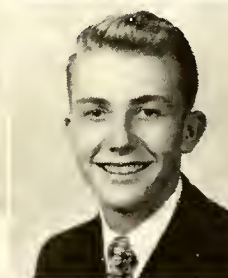
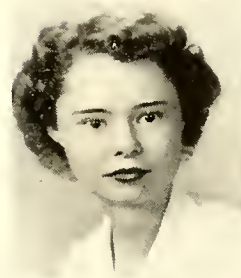
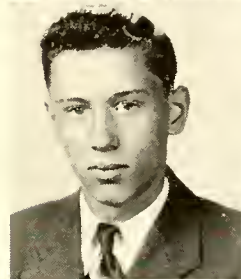
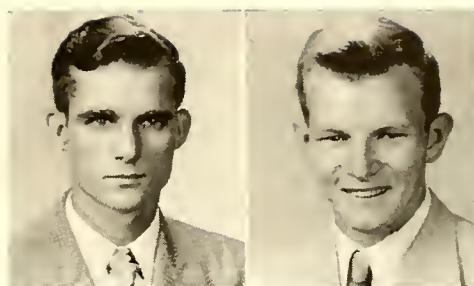
Home Room Offices; Hi-Y; Dramatics Club; Good Sports Club; Refreshment Committee for Junior-Senior; Home Room Representative; Squad Leader in Gym.

## BARBARA TAYLOR

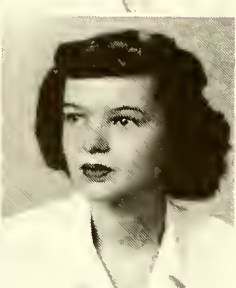
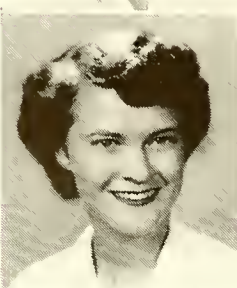
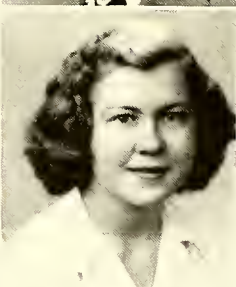
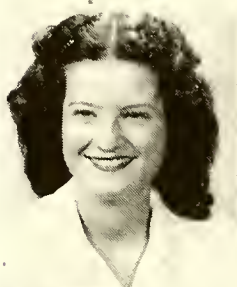
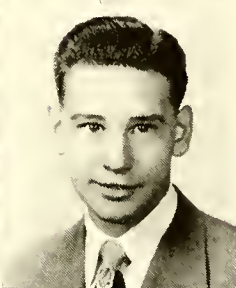
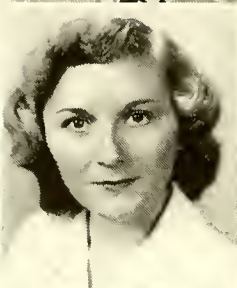
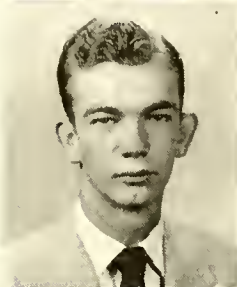
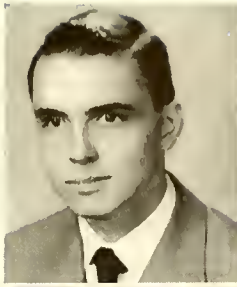
Junior Tri-Hi-Y; President of Freshman Dramatics Club; Stunt Night Committee; Sophomore Dance Committee; Delegate to Eastern North Carolina Dramatics Convention; Junior-Senior Committee; Junior Red Cross Representative; Dramatic Organization; Speech Choir; Gift Committee for Senior Class; Treasurer of Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Treasurer of Good Sports Club; Vice-President of Black Masquers.

## MARY ALICE TREVATHAN

Home Room Committee; Home Room Offices; Speech Choir; F. H. A.; Edsonian Dramatic Organization.



## Seniors of '50



### CHARLES I. UMSTEAD

Band, President of Photography Club; Vice-President of Junior Class; Traffic Committee; Home Room Officers; Blackbird Staff Photographer; Chairman of Clean-up Committee for Sophomore Dance; Red Cross.

### RUTH WIGGINS

Secretary of Home Room, Vice President of Home Room; Social Committee and Project Committee Chairman of F. H. A.; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Vice President of Speech Choir; Office Practice Secretary; Choir; Vice President of Junior Red Cross; Cap and Gown Committee.

### RICHARD B. WALKER

President of Home Room '48-'49.

### DEE WILKINSON

Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Music Club; Home Room Offices; Treasurer of Junior Red Cross; Vice President and President of Junior Music Club; Good Sports Club; Student Government Representative; Social Committee; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Baccalaureate Committee; Committee Member for Freshman Dance.

### LUCILLE WATKINS

47-48 G. A. A. Vice-President; Secretary Home Room; Decorations Committee of Sophomore Dance; Music Committee of Junior-Senior; Baccalaureate Committee of Senior Class; Red Cross; Student Government Representative; Finance Chairman F. H. A.; Secretary to Miss Alexander and Miss Johnson; Dramatics Club; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Speech Choir; Reunion Committee of Senior Class.

### CHARLES WILLIAMS

President of Student Body; National High School Register; Chairman "Senior Day" Committee; National Honor Society; Senior Superlatives; World Federalist; Chief Commencement Marshall; Chairman of House and Grounds Committee; Boys' State Alternate; President of Debating Club; President of Hi-Y; Delegate to State Student Council Congress (two years); Secretary to Eastern District Student Council Congress; Class Offices; President of Freshman Class; Kiwanis Boy of the Month; Lion's Boy of the Week.

### RUBY MARIE WATSON

Dramatics Club; Home Room Representative; Vice-President F. H. A.; President F. H. A.; Home Room Committee; Choir.

### JEAN WILLIAMS

Home Room Offices; Secretary of G. A. A.; Choir; Class Offices; Girls Chorus; Speech Choir Secretary; Secretary of F. H. A.; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Assistant to Mrs. Carr; G. A. A. Delegate to Play Day in Greenville; Club 18, Home Room.

### JEAN WHITLEY

President of Home Room; Choir; Secretary of Home Room; G. A. A.

### JOYCE WILLIAMS

Home Room Offices; Class Offices; Treasurer of F. H. A.; Tennis; Secretary to Miss Turnage and Miss "Muk"; Choir; Thursday Music Club; President of Speech Choir; Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Secretary of Reunion Committee.

### PEGGY IMOGENE WICKS

Home Room Representative; Tri-Hi-Y; F. H. A.; Vice-President F. H. A.; Treasurer of Speech Choir; Home Room Offices; Tennis Team; Choir; Graduation Committee; Thursday Music Club; Edsonian Dramatic Organization; Class Offices; Reunion Committee.

### NANCY WILLIAMS

Tri-Hi-Y; Good Sports Club; Maid of Honor of Junior-Senior; Runner-up to Campus Sweetheart; Miss Print; Home Room Offices; Blackbird Staff; Representative to Tri-Hi-Y Conference in South Carolina; Cheer Leader; Dramatics Club; Cast of "Dollars to Doughnuts"; Gift Committee for Senior Class.

## Seniors of '50

### LOURETHA WOOTEN

*Bible History Club (Dunn); Basketball (Dunn).*

### GERALDINE WORRELL

*Secretary of Algebra Class I. G. A. A.; Debating Club; Devotional Committee of Home Room; Red Cross.*

### BILLIE JO WORKS

*Junior Tri-Hi-Y; Delegate C.S.P.A. Convention in New York; Senior Tri-Hi-Y; Delegate to Southern Tri-Hi-Y Convention; Social Committee; Home Room Representative; National Honor Society; Blackbird Staff; Exchange Editor; Vice-President Home Room; Chairman Social Committee Home Room.*

### FRANCES MAE YOUNG

### NANCY SUE RESICO





1949 Junior-Senior



Character, Scholarship, Leadership, Service



The Choir Performs



Four Minutes Between



Spring Drills



3 O'clock



Mary Boyd



Mr. Edson and Mrs. Carr Observe



Busy as a  
ONE-ARMED  
PAPER HANGER  
!!!

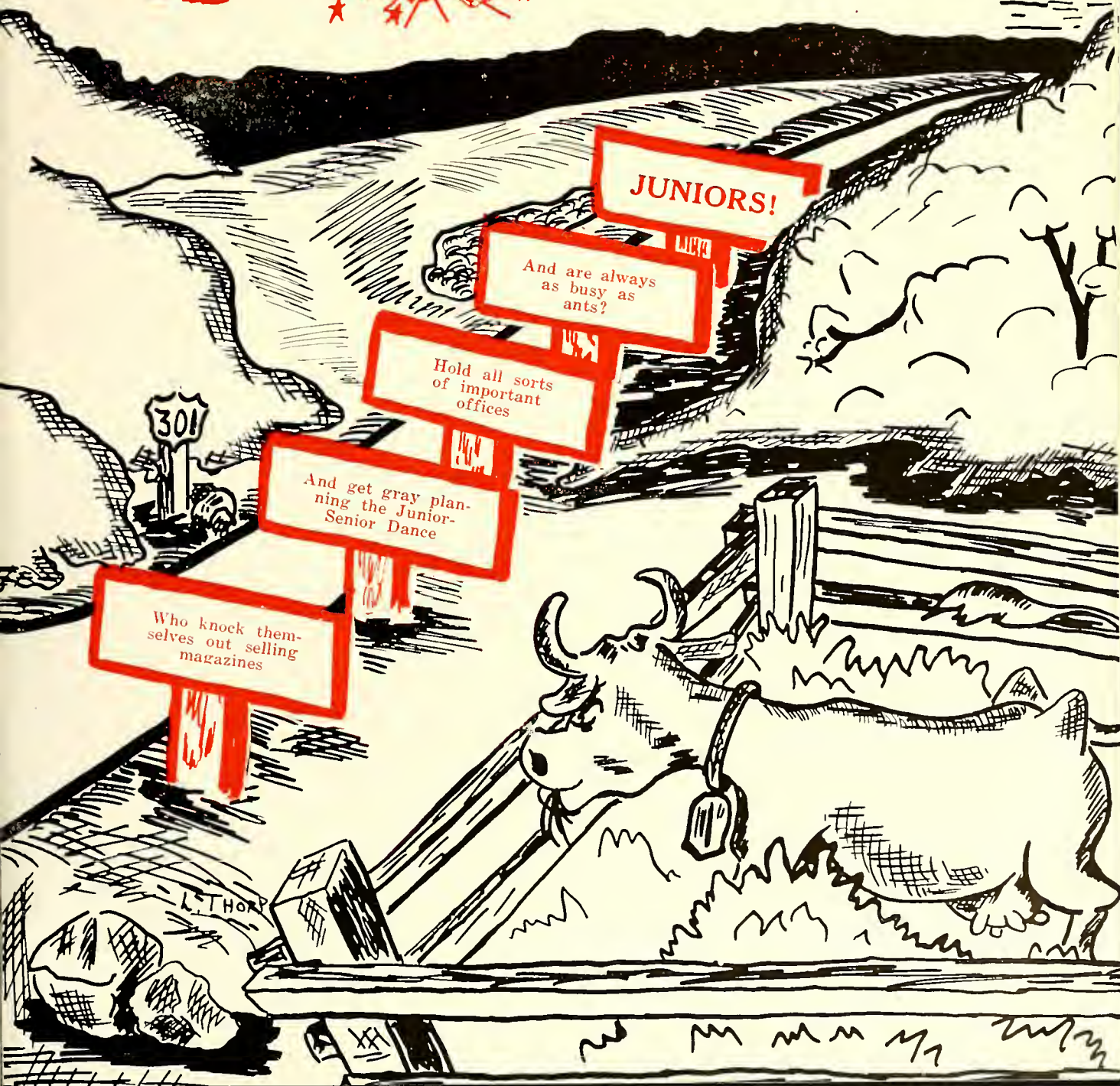
JUNIORS!

And are always  
as busy as  
ants?

Hold all sorts  
of important  
offices

And get gray plan-  
ning the Junior-  
Senior Dance

Who knock them-  
selves out selling  
magazines





## *Junior Class Officers*

### FALL SEMESTER

Donald Parsons, *President*  
Bo Thorpe, *Vice-President*  
Miss Craighill, *Advisor*  
Ellen Williams, *Secretary*  
Jiminy Thornton, *Treasurer*

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

At the beginning of school last fall, this staff of officers undertook one of the two main projects of the Junior Class, that of raising money for class activities. These officers worked diligently in their efforts to raise the money. Through the cooperation of the Curtiss Publishing Company, the members of the Junior Class sold magazines and netted a substantial sum.

The spring term of school brought in another competent slate of officers. The problem confronting this group was the task of planning the best Junior-Senior Prom ever. This being the main social event of the school year, they worked long and hard in planning and executing the idea for the dance. The theme, "Evening in Paris," was effectively carried out in attractive decorations. The music of the "Statesmen," coronation of the May Queen, and the atmosphere of the whole affair made the guests feel as if they had enjoyed a "wee" bit of "Gay Paree."

## *Junior Class Officers*

### SPRING SEMESTER

Betsy Carr, *Secretary*  
Barbara Fulgham, *Treasurer*  
Nancy Bartholomew, *Vice President*  
Miss Craighill, *Advisor*  
John Page, *President*



## *Juniors of '50*

PATSY ABERNATHY  
RALPH ADAMS  
WILLIAM ADAMS  
BETSY ALLEN

SHIRLEY ANDERSON  
MILDRED ANDREWS  
CLAUDETTE ARCHIE  
BRUCE BATCHELOR

MARY ELIZABETH BAKER  
ANNE BAILEY  
NANCY BARTHOLOMEW  
NORMAN BARTHOLOMEW

TOMMY BASS  
JOE BEARD  
DORIS BLANDFORD  
JACK BLOODWORTH

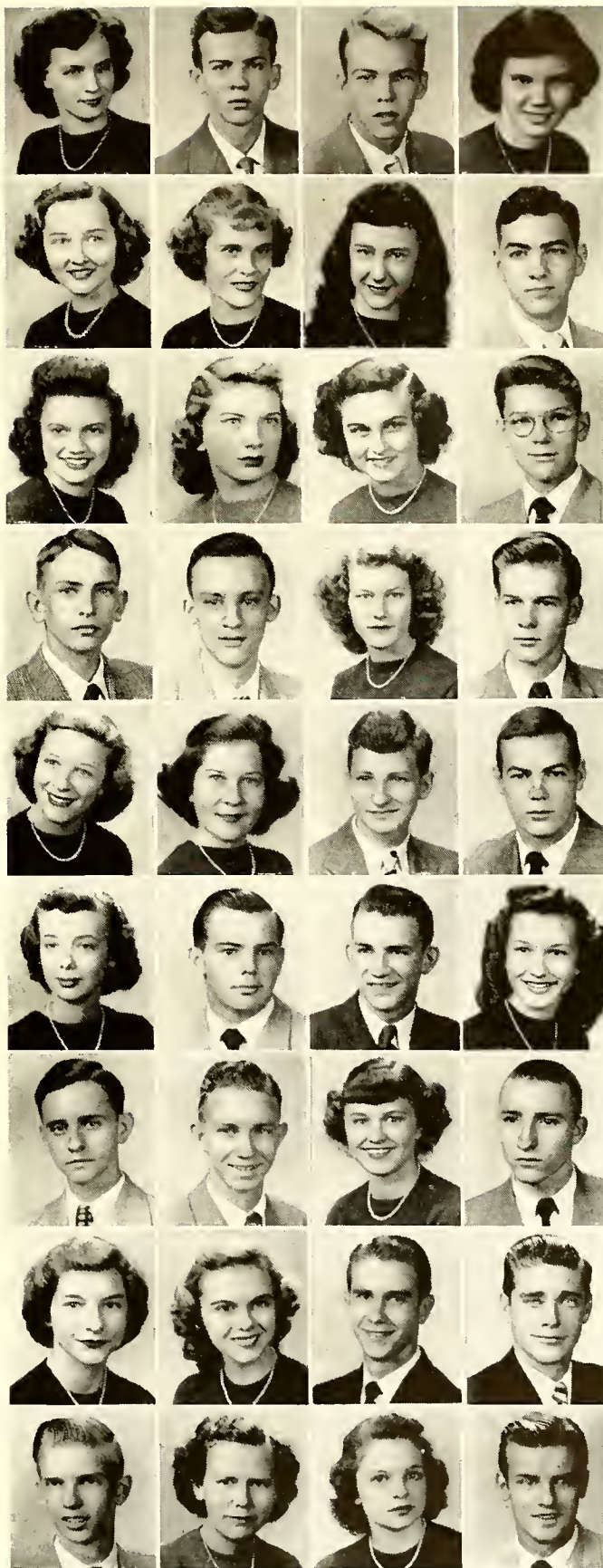
ANNE BLUNT  
MARGARET BOONE  
MONROE BRINSON  
BOB BRITT

DOROTHY BROCK  
RICHARD BROCK  
ALAN BROWN  
ANN BULLUCK

BILLY CALHOUN  
CECIL CAPPS  
LODOSKIA CARMICHAEL  
BOBBY CARPENTER

BETSY CARR  
BRUCE CARR  
JIMMY CARTER  
JIMMY CARTER

BOBBY CHANDLER  
KATHERINE COLLINS  
DOROTHY COMBS  
BOBBY CRAFT





## *Juniors of '50*

LESTER CROOM  
 BETTY ANN CROSS  
 CHARLES CUDDINGTON  
 BILL DAUGHTRIDGE

BOBBY DAVIS  
 GRACE DEW  
 JANET DICKENS  
 JAMES DIXON

KATHERINE DOVE  
 WILLIAM DOVE  
 FRANCES DUNN  
 ADDIE EARLY

JEAN EASON  
 KENNETH EDWARDS  
 ALICE EVANGELINE  
 BOBBY FAITHFUL

DIANNE FARMER  
 VIRGINIA FIPPS  
 MARGUERETTA FLYTIE  
 ALBERT FORD

SUE FOWLKES  
 MILDRED FREDERICK  
 GERALD FRYE  
 BARBARA FULGHUM

BEN GAY FUTRELL  
 BILLY GRAY  
 DICK GREGORY  
 BETTY JEAN GRIFFIN

NANCY GRIFFIN  
 BOBBY GRIMES  
 JERRY GRIMES  
 BILLY GUPTON

DAVID HADLOW  
 BOBBY HARRIS  
 SIDNEY HARDESTY  
 GEORGE HARRIS

## *Juniors of '50*

HAROLD HARPER  
HELEN HARROD  
BARBARA HARTMAN  
EMMA JEAN HEDGEPEETH

JOAN HEDGEPEETH  
BILLY HOLDING  
VERNON HUGGINS  
BILLY HUNT

MARTHA INSCOE  
PHYLLIS JACKSON  
EDWARD JOHNSON  
MARTHA JOHNSON

EDNA MAE JORDAN  
ALICE JOYNER  
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FRANCIS JOYNER

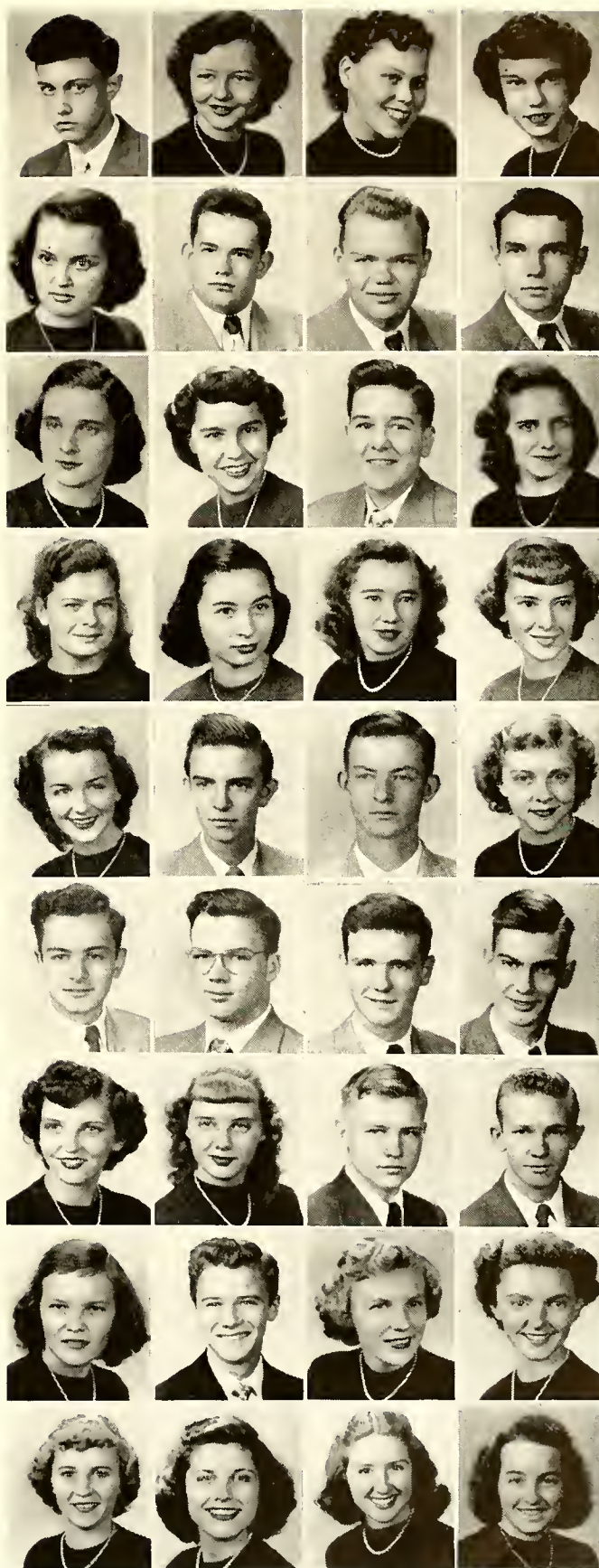
SARA JOYNER  
AUBREY KENNEY  
FRED KING  
BARBARA LAND

MELVIN LEGGETT  
PAUL LINDSEY  
FRANK LIVESAY  
RIDLEY LIVESAY

BETSY LOCKAMY  
IRMA LUPER  
BOB MARIOTT  
BOBBY MATTHEWS

LIB MAYO  
JIMMY MIZELL  
BARBARA MOBLEY  
VIVIAN MOBLEY

PHYLLIS MOORE  
PEGGY MORGAN  
DELORES MURRAY  
JEAN MURRAY





## *Juniors of '50*

ANN McLEAN  
JOHN PAGE  
ELIZABETH ANN PARKER  
LILLIE PARKER

DONALD PARSONS  
SHIRLEY PEARSON  
JIMMY PIERCE  
GARY PHILLIPS

HILDA PHILLIPS  
BILL PHILIPS  
JUANITA PITTMAN  
ARTHUR PROCTOR

KENNETH PUTMAN  
HAZEL RAWLS  
GEORGIA RAYNOR  
GERALD RAYNOR

JESSE DEANS REID  
FAY REYNOLDS  
JIMMY RICHARDSON  
JOHN WILLIAM RICKS

WILLA RUTH RILEY  
BARBARA ROWLAND  
JIMMY SHINE  
HERBERT SLATER

CAROLYN JEAN SMITH  
JULIA SPEARS  
KATHERINE SPEIGHT  
ELLIS STARLING

GERALDINE STARLING  
LOIS STARLING  
CLYDE STRAUGHAN  
BILLY STURGIS

MARIE TANNER  
JOYCE TAYLOR  
LEWIS THOMPSON  
JIMMY THORNTON

## *Juniors of '50*

SEABURY THORP  
BO THORPE  
IRENE TURNER  
DOROTHY WALKER

ELIZABETH WALKER  
ALVA WALLACE  
HELEN LOUISE WALTERS  
JANE WARREN

NORMAN WATSON  
HELEN WELLS  
JOE WHEELLESS  
CARROLL WIGGS

CAROL WIGGINS  
BLANCHE WILKINS  
DURWOOD WILKINS  
CAROLYN WILLIAMS

DOTTIE MAE WILLIAMS  
ELLEN WILLIAMS  
PETE WINSTEAD  
BENNY WREN

CHARLES WRIGHT  
ANN ZIMMERMAN





Back Campus After School



The Mad Rush Is On



Biology Students at Work



"Ugh!" says Deno



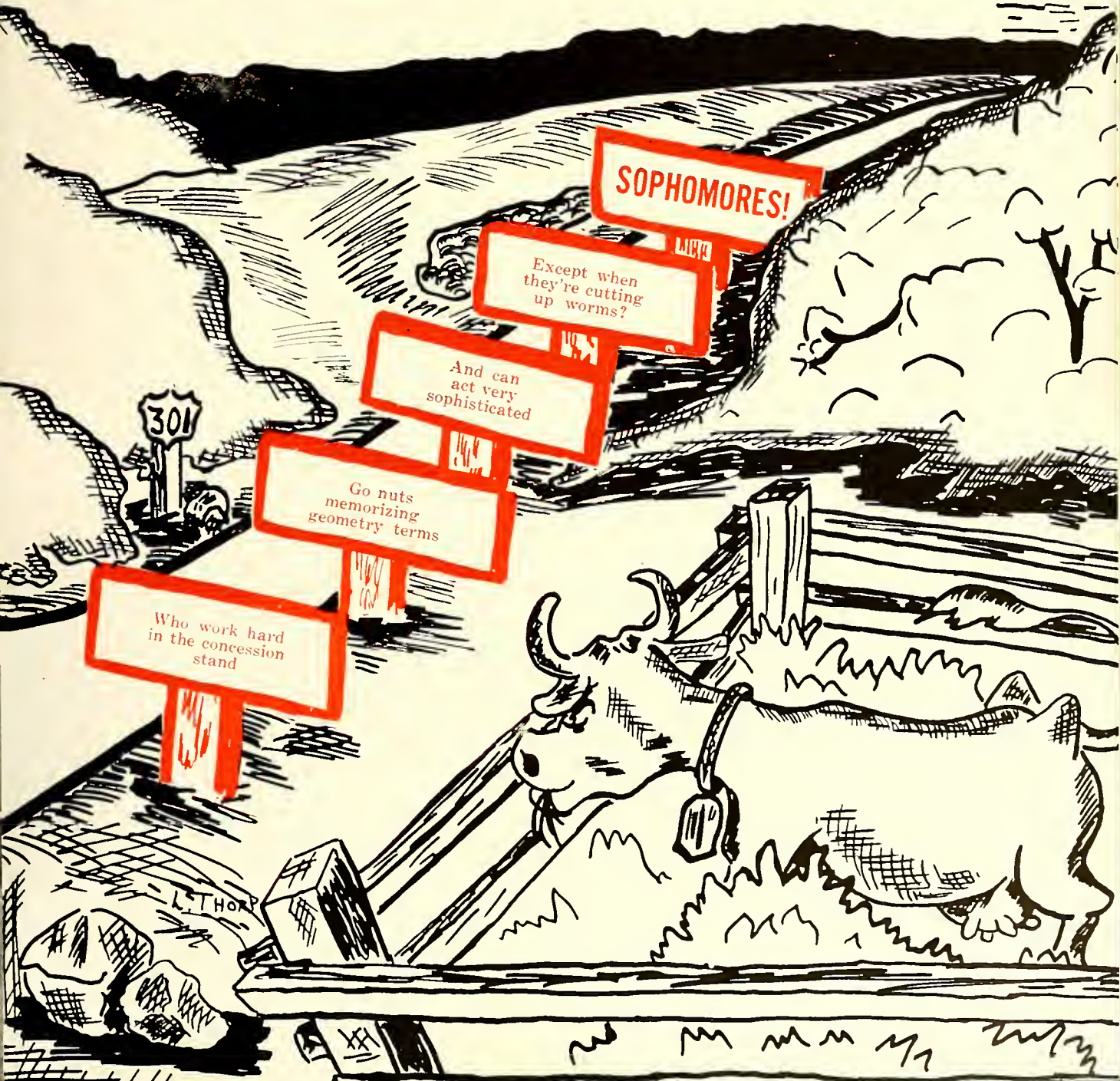
1950 Roman Banquet



Man, Is This Stuff Hard!



*"the pause  
that always  
refreshes..."*



**SOPHOMORES!**

Except when  
they're cutting  
up worms?

And can  
act very  
sophisticated

Go nuts  
memorizing  
geometry terms

Who work hard  
in the concession  
stand



## *Sophomore Class Officers*

### FALL SEMESTER

Worthington Hobbs, *President*  
 Julia Harrell, *Secretary*  
 Donald Rooker, *Treasurer*  
 Preston Bradshaw, *Vice-President*  
 Miss Parker, *Advisor*

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Following the election of officers of the Sophomore Class in the early fall, plans were made to operate a concession stand at each of the basketball games of the regular season. The first semester president became the general chairman of the Concession Committee. Two other members of the class were appointed to act as assistants to the chairman. The committee was completed by selecting two students from each of the sophomore rooms. Upon completion of the organization of the committee, they met and made a schedule of workers for each game. At the close of the basketball season the class had realized enough profit to meet the current bills, finance the annual Sophomore Party, and have some money left over for next year.

After the election of the second semester officers, the class began plans on the highlight of the year, the annual Sophomore Party. The officers of the class met with the advisor and made tentative committee and advisor appointments. At a later meeting of all the committees and advisors plans were made for a barn dance with Tal Pollard. The plans were submitted to each home room for a vote of approval or rejection. They were approved and carried through to a successful completion.

## *Sophomore Class Officers*

### SPRING SEMESTER

Garland Green, *Treasurer*  
 Tommy Slater, *Secretary*  
 Donald Rooker, *President*  
 Miss Parker, *Advisor*  
 Margaret Moore Eason, *Vice-President*





#### MISS BOND

FIRST ROW—Sara Williamson, Marjorie Williams, Nellie Joyner, Kitty Friar. SECOND ROW—Kay Finch, Katherine Joyner, Bernice Perry, Nancy Adams, Peggy Dietzel. THIRD ROW—Carol Jenkins, Jeanette Robbins, Charlotte Leonard, Margaret Warren, Nancy Harrelson, Julian Jordan. FOURTH ROW—Clay Daughtridge, Roger Andrews, Bennett Lindsey, Clarence Wallace, Tommy Slater, Gene Byrum, Miss Bond. STANDING—Dickie Carmichael, Tommy Avent, Royster Wheeler, James Johnson, James Womble.



#### MR. CLEETWOOD

FIRST ROW—Cessie Baxley, Margaret Bell, Ann Stevens, Virginia Gray, Larry Joyner, Bernard Taylor. STANDING—Lynwood Roberson, Charles Zuderman, Mr. Cleetwood, Bobby Jaeger, George Rose. SECOND ROW—Patsy Moore, Betty Jo Younginer, Geraldine Hall, Ann Dennis, Lena Pittman, Tommy Strickland, Tommy Thomas. THIRD ROW—Peggy Moore, Albert Rabil, Billy Cooper, Owen Williams, Wilton Griffin, Carolyn Ellis.



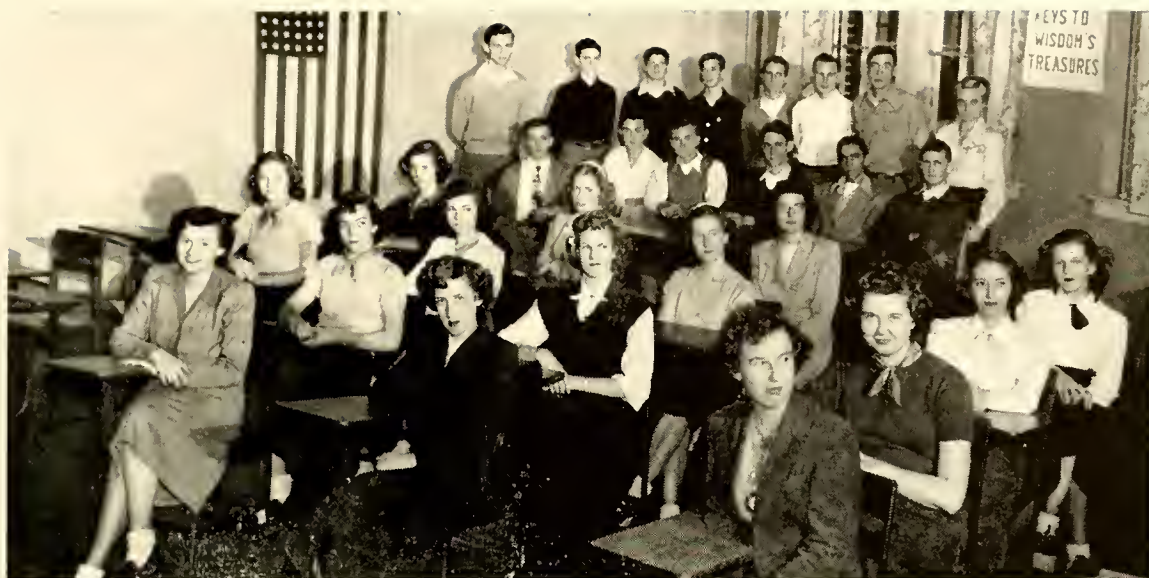
MRS. GORHAM

FIRST ROW—Elsie Bergeron, Susan Pierce, Le Stevia Pigford. SECOND ROW—Julia Harrell, June Denson, Betty Talton, Jane Alsbrook. THIRD ROW—Mrs. Gorham, Betty Jean Pullen, Mary Franks, Jeanette Batts, Norma Barnes. FOURTH ROW—Sylvia Pullen, Anita Williamson, Jean Hoell, Doris Langley. SEATED AT TABLE—Neil Williams, Gene Williams, John Rogers, Lorenzo Moore, Billy Rawls, Linwood Barkley. STANDING—Bobby Harper, Jimmie Armstrong, Robert Bartholomew, Jim Hobbs, Mildred Tart, Thomas King, Fred Tharrington.



MISS GURLEY

FIRST ROW—Thelma Lancaster, Margaret Diehl, Katherine McGee. SECOND ROW—Mary Jo Goodwin, Crystal Beecham, Jeanette Robbins, Louise Watson. THIRD ROW—Jean Proctor, Joyce MacNeeley, Nancy Browning, Marian Harris. FOURTH ROW—Charles Williams, Ed Bandy, Preston Bradshaw, Billy Overton. SEATED AROUND TABLE—Rob Ned Brannock, Worth Hobbs, Dean Hammill, Floyd Gainous, Ray Howell, Lloyd Thrower. STANDING—George Fareman, Harvey English, Paul Summerall, Arbie Odom, Paul Daughtridge, Charles Lundy, Willard Owens, Edgar Joyner, Johnny Johnson, Miss Gurley.



#### MISS PARKER

FIRST ROW—Garland Greene, Cavelle Bachelor, Bobby Conway, Wesley Bone, R. G. Capps, Charles Ramsey, Mack Ruffin, Miss Parker. SECOND ROW—Tommy Powell, Robert Varnell, Robert Searcy, Donald Rooker, Jackie Harper, Jimmie Smith. THIRD ROW—Ruby Walker, Mary Bierney, Constance Boyette, Mary Jo McKinney. FOURTH ROW—Barbara Jenkins, Odell Cockrell, Frances Webb, Peggy Ward. FIFTH ROW—Shirley Robbins, Jeanette Holmes, Janet Miller. SIXTH ROW—Jean Cooper, Mary Eva Howell, Mary W. Richardson.



#### MISS RIDDLE

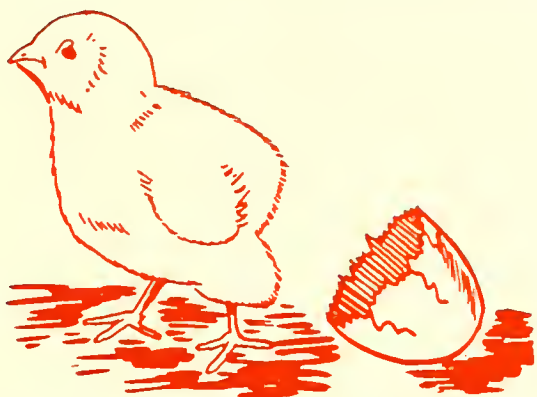
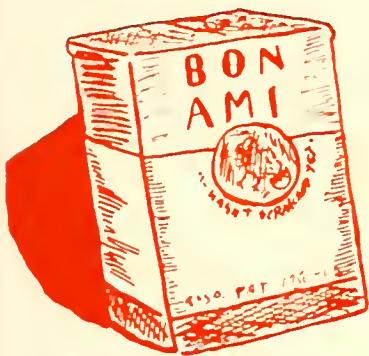
FIRST ROW—Miss Riddle, Billy Odom, Edward Cartee, Donald Blankenship, Buddy Edmondson, Bobby Owens, Bobby Woodruff, M. H. Pridgen, Thomas Cartee, Billy Littleton. SECOND ROW—Johnnie Shelton, Becky Griffin, Barbara Boone, Bill English, Talmadge Wells, Jack Davis, Billy Murray, Gordon McAdams. THIRD ROW—Retha King, Edith Carrol, Bonnie Bunn, Nell Mavin. FOURTH ROW—Dorothy Williams, Elizabeth Bateman, Charlotte Brown, Grace Daniels. FIFTH ROW—Barbara Dickens, Jean Strickland, Sue Franks, Julia Robbins.

1950  
 Mrs. Williams  
 and her class  
 in the  
 classroom

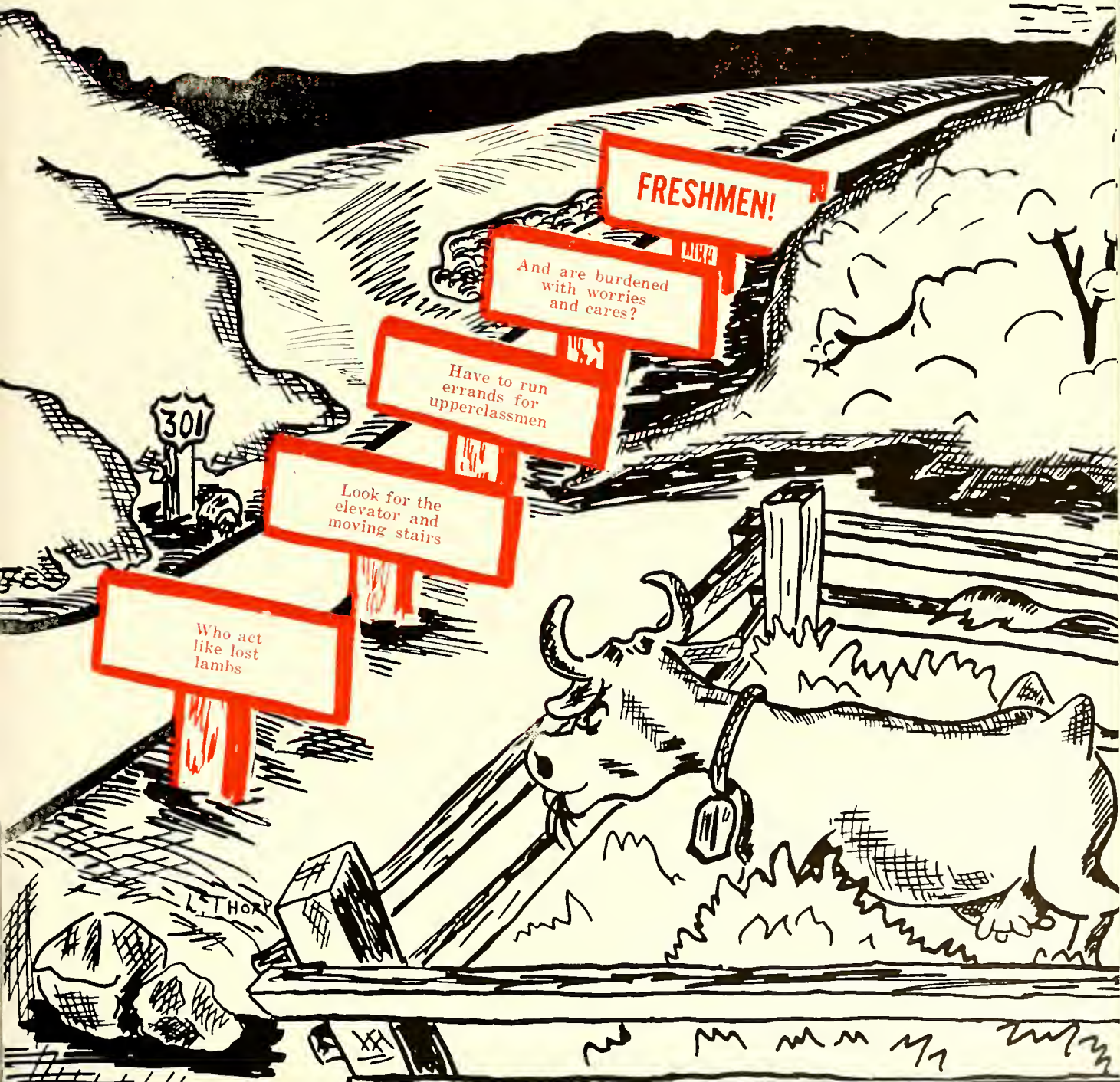


#### MRS. WILLIAMS

FIRST ROW (Standing)—Dot Whitley, Barbara Land, Elizabeth Chandler, Margaret Moore Fason, Martha Rose, Bill Thomas, Bobby Taylor, Carl Howell, Bobby Jackson, Mrs. Williams. SECOND ROW (Seated)—Betty Sumblin, Nancy Ellis, Tamara Holliday, Junie Pierce, Norma Pittman, Emily Baker. THIRD ROW—Homcr Moore, Grace Strange, Velna Motley, Charles Rogers, Horace Odom, Ann Page, Betty Lou Davis. FOURTH ROW—Edgar Bulluck, Billy Powell, Jerry Daught-ridge, Collan Schoalar, Tommy Peed, Charles Frederick Patten, Peggy Whitley.



"HASN'T SCRATCHED YET"



FRESHMEN!

And are burdened  
with worries  
and cares?

Have to run  
errands for  
upperclassmen

Look for the  
elevator and  
moving stairs

Who act  
like lost  
lambs

L. THORP



#### FRESHMAN OFFICERS

George Patseavouras, *Secretary*

George Newby, *President*

Donald Bryan, *Treasurer*

Mickey Dawson, *Vice-President*

Miss McLaughlin, *Advisor*



#### MISS ALEXANDER

FIRST ROW (left to right)—Douglas Newton, Sheila Robbins, Shirley Ann Ricks, Faye Barkley, Jeanette Little, Rose Marie Doss, Sylvia Best. SECOND ROW—Mallory Chambliss, Dot Russell, Tommy Lewis, Neva Munnerlyn, Ada Louise Frazier, June Cockrell. THIRD ROW—Louis Booth, Mary Wilkinson, Charles Worrell, Charles Boone, Carol Ezzelle, May Proctor. FOURTH ROW—Sarah Alexander, Mack English, Ken Brinson, Jimmy White, Donald Spain, Tommy Looney, Wallace Johnson, Donald Edwards, Grady Gardner.



MR. CHAPMAN

FIRST ROW—Ann Hendrix, Jimmy Williams, Carolyn Hudson, Nancy Haggard, Frances Williams, Wilson Pitt. SECOND ROW—Mary Eveland, Kay Moore, Christine Brantley, Jane Edwards, Delois Weaver, Barbara Drake, Charles Robbins. THIRD ROW—Charles Putman, Ollen Proctor, Dicky Taylor, Bobby Cobb, H. T. Simmons, John Gilbert, Mr. Chapman (standing).



MR. GORHAM

FIRST ROW—Mr. Gorham, Dicky Collins, Sandra Gay, Joy Jones, Joe Wimberly, S. E. Strickland, Norman Casey, Dick McIntyre, Bobby Daughtridge, Billy Coppedge, Rudolph Moore. SECOND ROW—Joyce Proctor, Dorothy Taylor, Gertrude Coggins, Betty Ann Powell, Elva Griffin, Carol Bridges. THIRD ROW—Wilton Holliday, Jean Dixon, Grace Outlaw, William Green, Bobbitt Clay, Charlotte Wood, Grace Ann Rose. FOURTH ROW—Billy Moore, Walter Phillips, George Pierce, Glen Daughtridge, Randall Winslow, Nancy Eason.



#### MISS HOLLOWELL

FIRST ROW—Edwina Jones, Ruby Jones, Shirley Norville, Ernestine Nelms, John Drake. SECOND ROW—Shirley Stone, Betty Ruth Starling, Betty Jean Flood, Waverly Smith, Larry Browning, Donnie Campbell, Bobby Lockamy. THIRD ROW—Shirley Robinson, Mary Ann Braswell, Marie Tyler, Bettie Jean Spence, T. M. Kermon, Jimmy Bergeron. STANDING—Miss Hollowell, Sylvia Crocker, Edward Earl Braswell, Garland Meadows, Ronald Goodwin, Larry Webber, Alexander Nelms, Franklin Jones, Roy Davis, Joe Ezzelle.



#### MRS. LUNDY

LEFT TO RIGHT (standing)—Billy Langley, James Womble, Fred Lee, Russell Bartholomew, Frank Hay, Billy Hare, Billy Kilgo, Edward Hallford, Eugene Spain, Richard Walston, Manly Godwin, Mrs. Lundy. BACK ROW (left to right)—Bernard Manning, Clarence Skinner, Ralph Chason, Durwood Murray, Jerry Ezzelle, Andrew Hardesty. MIDDLE ROW—Alice Barnes, Janet Fulcher, Phyllis Bone, Nancy Parry, Dora Harper, Shirley Hall, Frances Riddle. FRONT ROW—Melba Wallace, Joyce Jenkins, Virginia Strickland, Christine Nelms, Donna Clark, Marjorie Walker.



#### McGREGOR

FIRST ROW—May Ruth Divine, Joyce Ezzelle, Martha Coggins, Virginia Matthews, Daphne Riley, Doris Ellis, Barbara Coley. SECOND ROW—Marian King, Shirley Glossen, Billy Edmondson, Bernice Wheelless, Jimmy Mehle, Ray Langston, Barbara Futch. THIRD ROW—Susan Daughtridge, Jo Ann Windham, Sanford Harris, Donald Godwin, Alton Langston, Bobby Edwards. FOURTH ROW—George Patseavouras, Al Alley, Albert Parker, Paul Hatch, Billy Adams, Richard Byrd, George Newby, James Godwin, Mrs. Reynolds.



#### MISS McLAUGHLIN

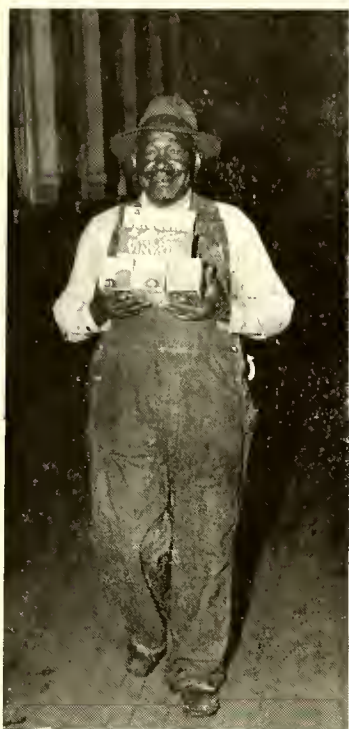
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Dee and Barbara can hardly wait



"All Gaul is divided into three parts . . ."



Octavius Suggs



Freshman gym class



"Well shut my mouth"!



Sara and Betsy  
*Page Forty-Eight*



Joanne is interviewed



Peggy shows E. H.  
THE 1950 HI-NOC-AR



# 57 VARIETIES

ORGANIZATIONS!

Always  
some duty  
calls!

Student Organiza-  
tion, Publications  
or Clubs?

What keeps us  
in these drafty  
halls?

Why are we  
so busy from  
three to four?

L. THORP



#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT OFFICERS

LEFT TO RIGHT—Phyllis Leggett, Treasurer; Miss Kitchen, Advisor; Charles Williams, President; Frances Dunn, Secretary; Harry Pearsall, Vice-President.

*"Better things for better living through Student Government"*

#### THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The Student Organization provides every student an opportunity to participate democratically in the formulation of school policies, in the initiation of desirable school activities, and in the promotion of the day by day work and fun of school life.

It seeks to develop within the student group a working knowledge of the theory of Democracy, to increase self-direction, discipline, leadership, fellowship, co-operation, and in general, to maintain a great amount of school spirit. With its inclusive and positive purpose, it is therefore the unifying element of all school activities and as such can be no more effective than the individual student makes it. The Organization works on three levels with each level having its own complete organization.

Level one is the General Organization with its four officers, its ten major or standing committees, and its assembly of representatives from the home rooms.

Level two is the Class Organization. For each of four classes—freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior—there is an organization consisting of four officers, an adviser, and the necessary committees—all from the home rooms comprising the group.

Level three is the Home Room Organization with its four officers, the home room teacher, and the desired committees.

The purpose of Student Organization finds expression as leadership and citizenship develop among students. It affords many students the greatest opportunity for the development of poise and personality as well as for the recognition of civic responsibility.

The Student Organization should be the heart and core of student life. Such is its aim in the Rocky Mount High School.

*you have been my joy and pride! In every way you have helped me! Congratulations, now, and best wishes! Kate Parks Kitchen*



PRESIDENT'S CABINET

#### STUDENT ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

FIRST ROW—Carroll Wiggins, Lost and Found; Phyllis Leggett, Board of Finance; Charles Williams, President; Harry Pearsall, Assembly; Barbara Southall, Elections. SECOND ROW—Shirley Anderson, Handbook; Dick Gregory, House and Grounds; Peggy Denton, Social; Russell Cowell, Traffic; Alva Wallace, Publicity; Tommy Powell, Fire Drill; Jeanette Stancil, Red Cross.



HOME ROOM REPRESENTATIVES

FIRST ROW—Marjorie Williams, Margaret Boone, Betsy Carr, Katherine Dove, Betty Ann Powell, Janet Fulcher, Shirley Stone, Betty Jean Spence, Doris Ellis, Jeanette Little, Pat Brown, Imogene Wicks, Geraldine Starling. SECOND ROW—Barbara Rice, Sara Joyner, Gloria Futch, Nancy Brown, Julia Jordan, Jean Cooper, Mary Ann Braswell, Sheila Robbins, Arline Geline, Nannie M. Cooper, Peggy Sutton, Lucille Watkins, Jean Eason, Pat James. THIRD ROW—Betsy Allen, Mary Franks, Frances English, Martha Johnson, Jeanette Holmes, Shirley Robbins, Irene Turner, Barbara Coley, Betty Hedgepeth, Jane Warren, Minnie Quick, Willa Riley, Dona Jean Capps, Phyllis Jackson. FOURTH ROW—Horace Odom, James Williams, Frank Hay, Charles Cuddington, Kenneth Edwards, Billy Rawls, Robert Ned Brannock, George Patseavouras, Donald Bryan, George Pierce, Worthington Hobbs, Benjamin Williams, Lloyd Thrower, M. H. Pridden. FIFTH ROW—Kenneth Little, Bobby Chandler, Edgar Bulluck, Don Edwards, Tommy Carter.



#### EDSONIAN OFFICERS

LEFT TO RIGHT—Louise Easterling, President; Fay Reynolds, *Vice-President*; Katherine Dove, *Secretary*; Phyllis Leggett, *Business Manager*; Bobby Gorham, *Stagemanager*.

*"Out-performs all others"*

#### EDSONIAN DRAMATIC ORGANIZATION

The founding of the Edsonian Dramatic Organization was the big event which occurred in Dramatics during the 1949-1950 year. At the beginning of the school year in September there was much speculation as to the future of the Dramatics Department since Mr. Edson was now Principal and a new Dramatics teacher was coming. However, before the first month had passed Miss Sara Alexander, the new instructor, had proven herself to be tops and everybody was looking forward to another outstanding year in Dramatics.

November found the Edsonians, as they were called in honor of Mr. Edson, presenting their first play, "Song of My Heart." With its superb cast, efficient production staff, and fine director the play turned out to be a great success and marked a swell beginning for the E.D.O. As Christmas was just around the corner by this time, it was decided to present "Dickens' Christmas Carol." For the major production of the year the play, "Angel Street," was selected and when the final performance was presented on February 18, the future of the E.D.O. was firmly established. Immediately following this, preparation for the State Drama Festival began. After many long weeks of arduous labor the "Edsonians" departed for Chapel Hill full of spirit and hope. When the Festival was over it was learned that the E.D.O. had won just about all that could be won.



#### BLACK MASQUERS

LEFT TO RIGHT—Bobby Gorham, Miss Alexander, Barbara Taylor, Louise Easterling, Joanne Holt, Harry Pearsall, Russell Cowell, Barbara Floyd, Billy Gupton, Winnie Lou Bradley, Lillian Phillips, Irma Luper.



#### SPEECH CHOIR

FIRST ROW (left to right)—Jean Williams, Jeanette Stancil, Joyce Williams, Mary A. Trevathan, Peggy Sutton, Dee Wilkinson, Peggy Griffin, Ruth Wiggins. SECOND ROW—Miss Alexander, Barbara Fuller, Peggy Hedgepeth, Georgia Raynor, Lucille Watkins, Peggy Polson, Phyllis Leggett, Inogene Wicks, Frances Orr, Frances English, Barbara Floyd. THIRD ROW—Barbara Taylor, Peggy Denton, Joyce Rogers, Russell Cowell, Gene Lyon, Billy Reese, Peggy Martin, Winnie Lou Bradley, Joanne Holt.



#### CONTEST PLAY CAST

FIRST ROW— (left to right)—Harry Pearsall, Russell Cowell, Bobby Gorham, Herbert Thorp, Bobby Chandler, Billy Gupton, Donald Cooper. SECOND ROW—Alva Wallace, Joanne Holt, Louise Easterling, Barbara Floyd, Dona Jean Capps, Miss Alexander.



#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

*"When better grades are made"*

FIRST ROW (left to right)—Jeanette Stancil, Peggy Edmonson, Phyllis Leggett, Edith Ann Mangum, Sylvia Diehl. SECOND ROW—Peggy Daughtridge, Louise Easterling, York Brannock, Peggy Denton, Barbara Southall, Charles Williams, Joe Bennett. THIRD ROW—Miss Bond, Alton Elmore, Bobby Gorham, Russell Cowell, Louie Lee Patseavouras, Norman Johnson.



#### DEBATING CLUB

*"Look sharp, think sharp, be sharp"*

LEFT TO RIGHT—Mr. Gorham, Harry Pearsall, Kay Finch, Charles Williams, Phyllis Leggett.



#### SERVICE CLUB

*"Serving all Eastern Carolina"*

FIRST ROW—Louise Easterling, Peggy Daughtridge, Miss Craighill, Peggy Edmondson, Sara Joyner, Bobby Chandler, Jimmy Thornton, Dick Gregory. SECOND ROW—Peggy Griffin, Edith Ann Mangum, Jeanette Stancil, Aremereulous Culpepper, Joe Bennett, Harry Pearsall, Norman Johnson. THIRD ROW—Hazel Rawls, Bobby Gorham, Blanche Wilkins, Seabury Thorp, Russell Cowell, Albert Rose. FOURTH ROW—York Brannock, Alton Elmore, Tommy Bass, Kenneth Smith, Louie Lee Patseavouras, Broadus Rose.



#### GOOD SPORTS

*"If it's sports, it's got to be good"*

FIRST ROW—Betsy Allen, Fay Reynolds, Addie Early, Blanche Wilkins, Barbara Fulham. SECOND ROW—Edith Ann Mangum, Sara Joyner, Elaine Hardy, Betsy Carr, Peggy Griffin, Dee Wilkinson, Ann Zimmerman. THIRD ROW—Barbara Southall, Anne Blunt, Anne Toler, Katherine Dove, Winnie Lou Bradley, Barbara Taylor, Miss Birkhead. FOURTH ROW—Miss Doris Hollowell, Ellen Williams, Nancy Williams, Lillian Phillips, Peggy Daughtridge, Peggy Edmondson, Louise Easterling, Peggy Denton, Frances Dunn.



#### JUNIOR MUSIC CLUB

*"Music Is the Universal Language of Mankind"*

FIRST ROW—Peggy Edmondson, Edith Ann Mangum, Betsy Carr, Frances Dunn. SECOND ROW—Neil Williams, Dee Wilkinson, Sylvia Pullen, Peggy Ward, Betty Talton, Mary Ann Braswell, Alice Barnes, Velna Motley, Janet Fulcher, Phyllis Leggett. THIRD ROW—Clyde Straughan, Donald Parsons, Virginia Gray, Edgar Bulluck, Mary Jo McKinney, Jane Warren, Mrs. Lee.



#### WORLD FEDERALISTS

*Toward the Goal of "One World"*

FIRST ROW—Phyllis Leggett, Miss Parker, Edith Ann Mangum, Sylvia Diehl. SECOND ROW—Gertrude Coggins, Sylvia Pullen, Margaret Boone, Jean Eason, Norman Johnson, York Brannock, Arline Geline, Louise Easterling, Barbara Floyd, Mary Jo McKinney.



### RED CROSS

*"For distinguished service"*

LEFT TO RIGHT (Seated)—Joyce Rogers, Johnnie Shelton, Ruth Wiggins, Jeanette Stancil, Bobby Carpenter, Peggy Griffin, Shirley Stone. (Standing)—Katherine McGee, Bernice Perry, Geraldine Worrell, Frances Riddle, George Patseavouras, Pat Keel, Barbara Ann Drake, Mildred Andrews, Lucille Watkins, Phyllis Jackson, Barbara Rowland, Billy Powell, Barbara Taylor, Mildred Tart, Bobbitt Clay, Miss Turnage.



### FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

*"Guaranteed for good housekeeping"*

FIRST ROW—Katherine McGee, Jeanette Robbins, Gaveon Haggard, Anne Newton, June Denson, Patsy Moore. SECOND ROW—Bonnie Bunn, Charlotte Brown, Joan Hedgepeth, Mary Ann Smith, Jean Cooper. THIRD ROW—Barbara Bland, Imogene Wicks, Jean Williams, Ruth Wiggins, Christine Robbins, Frances Orr, Peggy Polson, Charlotte Leonard, Lucille Watkins, Dot Williams, Mildred Tart, Elsie Bergeron. FOURTH ROW—Betty Jean Griffin, Doris Langley, Odell Cockrell, Sue Fowlks, Daryl Tart.



#### FRESHMEN TRI-HI-Y

FIRST ROW—Sheila Robbins, Doris Ellis, Peggy Alexander, Janet Fulcher, Aileen Griffin, Betty Ann Powell, Sally Adams. SECOND ROW—Myra Padgett, Sue Daughtridge, Nancy Haggard, Betty Jean Spence, Dot Russell. THIRD ROW—Bobbitt Clay, Neva Munnerlyn, Barbara Drake, Barbara Jean Coley, Sylvia Crocker, Mrs. Robbins, Elva Griffin.

*"The priceless ingredient of every product is in the honor and integrity of its maker"*



#### JUNIOR TRI-HI-Y

FIRST ROW—Mary Jo Goodwin, Thelma Lancaster, Peggy Dietzel, Carolyn Ellis, Marjorie Williams, Elizabeth Bateman, Johnnie Shelton, Jean Cooper, Shirley Robbins. SECOND ROW—Ann Page, Norma Pittman, Betty Jean Pullen, Jean Proctor, Norma Barnes, Bonnie Bunn, Margaret Diehl, June Denson, Charlotte Leonard. THIRD ROW—Nancy Adams, Marian Harris, Julia Harrell, Kay Finch, Mrs. Gray, Becky Griffin, Julia Robinson, Kitty Friar, Velna Motley, Virginia Gray.



#### SENIOR TRI-HI-Y

FIRST ROW—Juanita Pittman, Margaret Boone, Alva Wallace, Margaretta Flythe, Frances Joyner, Shirley Anderson, Barbara Rowland, Blanche Wilkins. SECOND ROW — Betsy Carr, Emma Jean Hedgepeth, Ann Joyner, Carroll Wiggins, Hazel Rawls, Martha Johnson, Diane Farmer. THIRD ROW—Fave Reynolds, Jesse Reid, Betsy Allen, Betty Ann Cross, Addie Early, Jane Warren, Irene Turner. FOURTH ROW—Barbara Taylor, Grace Dew, Helen Harrod, Phyllis Leggett, Ann Zimmerman. FIFTH ROW—Elaine Hardy, Dona Capps, Mary Frances Blount, Nancy Williams, Joanne Holt, Peggy Denton, Peggy Martin. SIXTH ROW—Peggy Daughtridge, Ann Toler, Gaveon Haggard, Gloria Futch.



#### BOYS HI-Y

FIRST ROW (seated, left to right)—M. H. Pridgen, Sonny Carr, Edward Johnson, Albert Rabil, Billy Hunt, Bill Oakley, Bobby Grimes, Sidney Hardesty. SECOND ROW (standing, left to right)—Mr. H. G. Finch, advisor; Louie Lee Patseavouras, Bernard Taylor, Jimmy Richardson, Pete Winstead, Gary Phillips, Palmer Maples, Bill Phillips, Tommy Crocker, Henry Burts. THIRD ROW (left to right)—Gene Williams, Gene Lyon, Garland Green, Colin Sholar, Jimmy Proctor, Norman Johnson, Bobby Gorham, Benny Wrenn, Bobby Carpenter.



#### D. O. CLASS

*"Look to D. O. for Perfection"*

LEFT TO RIGHT—Ed Battle, Melvin Leggett, Richard Ray, Mr. Lee Chapman, Instructor; Drew Clack, Charles Mitchell, Ridley Livesey, Pete Winstead, Bill Dove, Bobby Joyner, Charles Daniels.



#### D. E. CLASS

*"Trademarks of Nature"*

FIRST ROW—Dot Combs, Agnes Jackson, Helen Wells, Phyllis Moore, Marie Tanner, Frances Webb.  
SECOND ROW—Miss Riddle, Floyd Gainous, Royster Wheeler, P. L. Frazier, George Batchelor, Charles Wright, Robert Becknell, Robert Gardner, Robert Browning, Allen Brown, Edward English.



### OFFICE PRACTICE

*"Practice makes Perfect"*

ROW NEXT BLACKBOARD—Doris Christopher, Mrs. Bowden, Ruth Wiggins, Joyce Williams, Lucille Watkins, Peggy Hedgepeth. SECOND ROW—Peggy Sutton, Nannie Mac Cooper, Agnes Moss. THIRD ROW—Minnie Quick, Mary Ann Smith, Elizabeth King, Peggy Polson, Drew Clack.



### G. A. A.

*"Good to the last point"*

FIRST ROW (left to right)—Ruby Walker, Barbara Dickins, Jean Cooper, Mary Jo Goodwin, Johnnie Shelton, Margaret Eason, Elsie Bergeron, Anita Williamson, Peggy Alexander. SECOND ROW (left to right)—Mrs. Lundy, Grace Daniels, Frances Williams, Betty Sumblin, Julia Jordan, Donna Clark, Nelle Melvin, Edwina Jones, Mary Wilkinson, Janet Dickens, Claudette Archie.



#### BAND

FIRST ROW—Sue Franks, Becky Jernigan, Edgar Bulluck, Colin Sholar, Glenn Daughtridge, Susan Pierce, Marvin Barnes, Billy Rawls, Durwood Wilkins, Walter Early, Barbara Rice, Mary Franks, SECOND ROW—Mr. Parry, Joy Jones, Dick Hart, Ann Dennis, Mildred Tart, Betty Talton, Thomas Pierce. THIRD ROW—Clyde Straughan, Pat James, Virginia Fipps, Alice Barnes, Al Brinson, Sonny Thompson. FOURTH ROW—Jimmie Proctor, Jerry Grimes, Billy Coppedge, Dockie Collins, Bill Andrews, Donald Parsons. FIFTH ROW—Barry Murphy, Bob Joyner, John Rogers, Wayne Hux, Freddie Sexton, Louie Lee Patseavouras. SIXTH ROW—Peggy Ward, Sandra Gay, Janet Fulcher, Bill English, Sheila Robbins, Aubrey Kenny. SEVENTH ROW—Tommy Avent, Broadus Rose, Nancy Parry, Bobbitt Clay, Dick McIntyre, Charlie Putman. EIGHTH ROW—Neil Williams, Rob Ned Brannock, Joe Lore, Ralph Chasson, Kenneth Brinson, Deno Pantalagos, Albert Rose, H. T. Simmons, Betty Sumblin.



MAJORETTES

LEFT TO RIGHT—Nancy Griffin, Lillie Parker, Margaret Warren, Doris Proctor, Joanne Holt, Jeanette Holmes, Vivian Mobley.

Dear Peggy  
I have really enjoyed  
your presence this year as well  
as your assistance as an  
alto. I wish you  
all the success  
in the world.  
To a  
very efficient  
girl.



"His Master's Voice"

Harold Haggard



CHOIR

"First, finest and foremost in music"

FIRST ROW—Dorothy Russ, Gaveon Haggard, Vivian Mobley, Doris Proctor, Barbara Fuller, Peggy Morgan, Elizabeth Bateman, Ann Bailey, Ann Bulluck, Mary Frances Blount, Anne Newton. SECOND ROW—Dolores Murray, Nancy Haroldson, Mary Jo Goodwin, Mary Franks, Sue Franks, Pat James, Gloria Futch, Jane Warren, Helen Harrod, Ruby Watson, Anne Zimmerman, Joyce Barnhill, Elizabeth Walker, Armerelous Culpepper. THIRD ROW—Mr. Parry, Joan Hedgepeth, Barbara Rice, Jean Cooper, Bruce Henry, Velna Motley, Joe Sexton, Bobby Davis, Charles Umstead, Bobby Carpenter, Herman Allen, Jeanette Stancil, Jean Williams, Mary Ayscue, Margaret Frazier, Grace Strange, Jeanette Holmes, Willa Riley. FOURTH ROW—Rebecca Jernigan, Imogene Wicks, Emily Johnson, Joyce Rogers, Thomas Pierce, Raymond Saunders, Bill Dove, Garland Green, Bill Barnes, Bill Sturgess, Alton Elmore, George Goodwin, Jimmy Proctor, Palmer Maples, Charles Williams, Ellis Starling, Gravely Reid, Barbara Mobley, Peggy Polson, Jean Whitley, Ruth Wiggins, Jean Murray, Lena Pittman, Joyce Williams.



Mr. Parry at work



Bessie and Cy in conference



No comment



First floor arcade



Harry and Mack—with make-up



At last—the tractor runs



Winnie puts it on thick

The copy is going  
to be late again!



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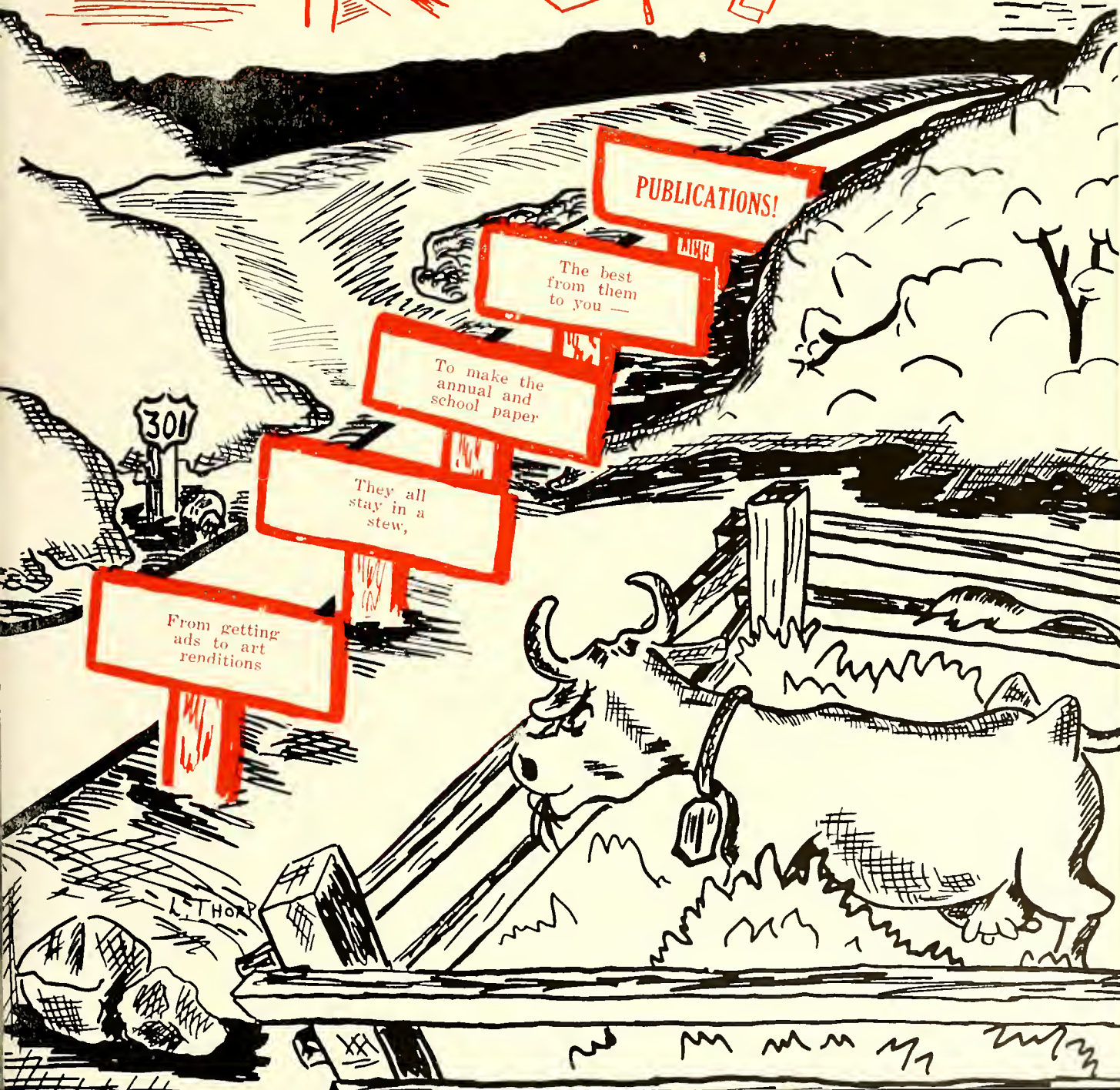
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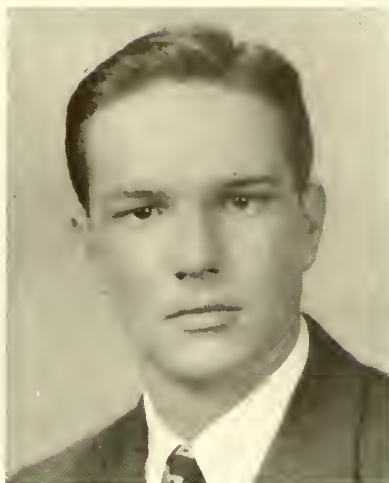
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L. T. HOPE





BOBBY GORHAM  
*Editor*

## The Hi-Noc-Ar

The average student has no conception of the time, effort and money expended on the Hi-Noc-Ar. If he has any doubt about its being a full-time job just let him ask any member of the staff!

You can always pick out the editor of the annual by one or all of the following tests: The guy with the most worried, preoccupied stare in school, the person who dashes through the hall with arms full of heavy manilla picture envelopes, the fellow who stalks "Bugs" or James Reid for many frantic days in January and February, or, just simply, the person "most likely" to be found with Miss "Murk" in Room 19 or elsewhere from September until annual distribution day.

The editor is responsible to the advisor for himself and the members of his staff. He supervises that staff, directs activity, collects all material and assigns responsibilities. He gets all the fussing from his co-workers, advisor and everybody in school if the annual doesn't come out on time! Such has been Bobby Gorham's lot this year!



STAFF MEMBERS (left to right)—Dick Gregory, Louie Lee Patseavouras, Winnie Lou Bradley, Peggy Daughtridge, Herbert Thorp, (Absent: Frances Dunn, Peggy Edmondson). (Seated) — Miss "Murk," Bobby Gorham.

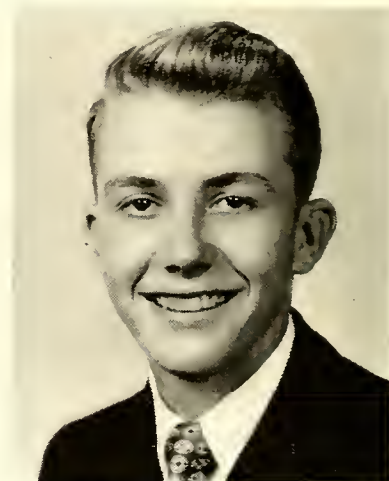
Lawrence Thorp, as business manager, is the "money-man." He is responsible for collecting all the money for the various group pictures, scheduling those pictures and seeing that they are taken. All of the art work in the 1950 annual bears testimony to Lawrence's talent, also. He has served well in two very important capacities.

Louie Lee Patseavouras, better known as "go-getter," had the difficult, thankless job of securing advertisements. He assigned firms to various staff members for solicitation and then he, himself, secured \$250 in advertising. Due to Louie Lee's perseverance the 1950 Hi-Noc-Ar has more revenue from advertising than any annual has ever had before.

The circulation manager, Peggy Edmondson, is responsible for keeping accurate records of subscribers and seeing that the books are delivered to those persons.

The rest of the staff is busy doing all sorts of jobs—running errands, getting pictures from Barringer's, typing copy, collecting and writing material.

The entire staff decides on the cover of the book, the



LAWRENCE THORP  
*Business Manager*

theme and dedication, and any other important matter that may arise. Famous "last words" of staff members:

1. Peggy Daughtridge—"Since I'm such an expert typist, let me do the copy."

2. Lawrence Thorp—"I've worked five straight hours on this page. If it isn't right now I refuse to do it over!"

3. Winnie Lou Bradley—"Here's some poetry for the division pages. It's sorry, but maybe you can cut it down."

4. Peggy Edmondson—"I lost a whole home room list. Who had room 7 to collect from?"

5. Louise Easterling—"Let's take the money we save by pasting these pictures and divide it among us."

6. Dick Gregory—"I've cut Sara Joyner's head off. What can I do about it?"

7. John Page—"This is the messiest glue I've ever seen. Do we have to use this kind? It smells awful!"

8. Betsy Carr—"Look at this—I've typed the whole junior section wrong—my pages don't match the dummy's! Do I have to do it over?"



LOUIE LEE PATSEAVOURAS  
*Advertising Manager*



STAFF MEMBERS (left to right)—Mr. Privott, Bob Joyner, Lawrence Thorp, Louise Easterling, Barbara Southall, Mr. Williams, Betsy Carr, John Page, Mr. Ross.



PEGGY EDMONDSON  
*Circulation Manager*

9. Barbara Southall—"I like this night work."

10. Louie Lee Patseavouras—"Here, let me show you how to measure those pictures. You're doing it the hard way!"

11. Peggy Denton—"I'll be glad to type, if you'll tell me where and when."

12. Herbert Thorp—"That's what I've been telling you all along!"

13. Bob Joyner—"I'm too tired."

14. Frances Dunn—"If it's not right now tell me, and I'll do it over."

15. Bobby Gorham—"I'm not going to worry. I'll be nonchalant!"

16. Mr. Privott—"We can't have it—it costs too much."

17. Miss Murk—"Whew!"





*"The  
60 second  
work out"*

**ATHLETICS!**

And to our  
victories—  
many or few!

And the coaches,  
mascots and  
Cheerleaders;

The basketball  
and baseball  
ones, too,

Here's to our  
football  
heroes,

L. T. HOPKINS



EMERY E. ADKINS  
*Head Football Coach and  
Athletic Director*



A. MALLOY MCGREGOR  
*Business Manager*



"SPERO"  
*Honorary Coach*



C. V. LUNDY  
*Head Basketball Coach*



CLEET C. CLEETWOOD  
*Head Baseball Coach*



#### VARSITY FOOTBALL

FIRST ROW—Sonny Carr, Billy Holding, Billy Gray, Jimmy McLemore, Jack Thomas, Billy Gupton, Joe Bennett, Eliard Croom. SECOND ROW—Dick Taylor, Jimmy Pierce, J. D. Ezzelle, Bob Britt, E. H. Jones, Bobby Joe Baker, Palmer Maples, Jr., Roy McCarter. THIRD ROW—Bill Phillips, Ed Bandy, Frank Livesey, Hugh Laughridge, George Harris, Melbourne Davis, Robert Bartholomew, Kenneth Blocker, Bobby Jaeger, Howard McAdams.



#### JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

FIRST ROW—Ed Bandy, Jim Hobbs, Buddy Edmondson, Robert Lindsey, Lorenzo Moore, Charles Robbins, Waverly Smith, Lester Croom. SECOND ROW—Lee Parker, Bobby Owens, Tim Kermon, Paul Daughtridge, Billy Hunt, Homer Moore, Billy Cooper, Bobby Pennington, Richard Brock. THIRD ROW—Mr. Cleetwood, Jimmy Daughtridge, Arthur Proctor, Gordon McAdams, Bo Thorp, Gene Williams, Edward Braswell, Tommy Looney, Clarence Skinner, Charles Ramsey, George Newby.



#### VARSITY BASKETBALL

FIRST ROW—Frank Livsey, Hugh Laughridge, Billy Reese, Robert Bartholomew. SECOND ROW—Melbourne Davis, Billy Gray, Bob Britt, Billy Overton, Ed Bandy, Ben Futrell, Roy McCarter, Ronald Norville, Bill Sturges, Jack Thomas.



#### JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

FIRST ROW—Spencer Edmundson, Arbie Odom, Charles Robbins. SECOND ROW—Jerry Daught-  
ridge, Gene Williams, C. C. Daughtridge, George Farmer, Bobby Owen, Billy Murray, Jimmy Daught-  
ridge, Fred Tharrington, John Rogers.



#### BASEBALL TEAM

Harold Anderson, Bob Britt, Billy Calhoun, Bo Thorp, Manley Godwin, Robert Searcy, Albert Parker, Charles Daniels, Joe Wheeless, Cotty Thompson, Billy Reese, Hugh Laughridge, West Spain, Billy Adams, Tommy Bass, Bobby Craft, Jack Thomas.



#### ACHES AND PAINS DEPARTMENT

Hunter Stith, trainer for the Blackbirds, wraps Bill Phillips' ankle as Robert Bartholomew looks on with sympathy.



#### MASCOTS

Sheila Murchison and David Williams



#### CHEERLEADERS

LEFT TO RIGHT—Dot Whitley, Louie Lee Patseavouras, Blanche Wilkins, Donald Parsons, Miss Hollowell, Advisor; Peggy Daughtridge, Head Cheerleader; Harry Pearsall, Nancy Williams, Bo Thorpe.



# OUR BEST TO YOU

**SUPERLATIVES!**

Charm, wit  
and talent  
astounding!

They're your  
selections, their  
fame renown;

These folks  
are true;  
outstanding.

From "Most  
Talented" to  
"Best All-Round"

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L. THOR

*Best All-Round*

Charles Williams and  
Louise Easterling  
*Duz does everything.*



*Most Dependable*

Bobby Gorham and Peggy Denton  
with Kay Kyser, star of radio,  
screen and television — Rocky  
Mount's best booster



*Most Likely to Succeed*

Peggy Daughtridge and Charles Williams with Dr. Hollis A. Edens, President of Duke University



*Peggy's been making  
it well known with  
a good show of  
her talent. Just  
what we need.  
Thank you.  
Duke Univ.  
1960*

*Wittiest*

Harry Pearsall and Winnie Lou Bradley with Emmett Kelly, noted clown of Ringling Brothers Circus



*Most Talented*

Alton Elmore and Joanne Holt  
with Foster Fitz-Simmons, noted  
dancer, actor, author, of Chapel  
Hill



*Most School Spirited*

Peggy Daughtridge and  
Louie Lee Patseavouras

*Best Dressed*

Peggy Edmondson and  
Gene Lyon



*Best Natured*

Palmer Maples, Jr., and Elaine  
Hardy with Mr. S. Claus from the  
North Pole

*Best Looking*

Barbara Fuller and  
Alton Elmore



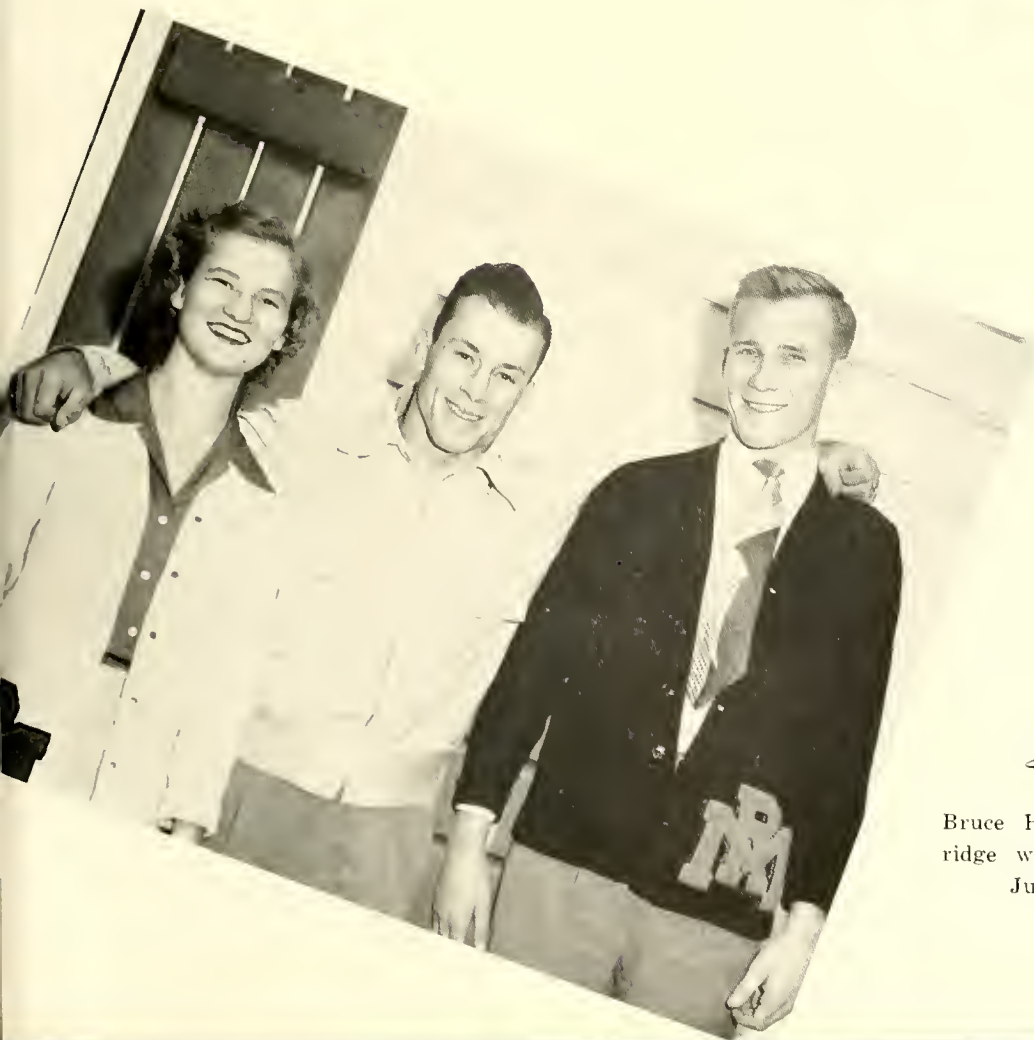
*Most Courteous*

Phyllis Leggett and Charles  
Williams with Dean Mackie of the  
University of North Carolina



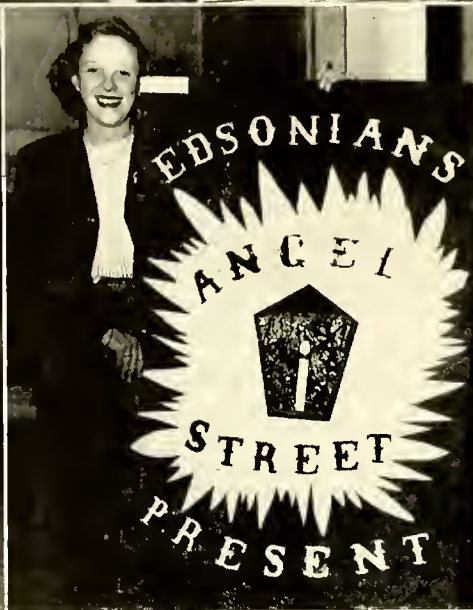
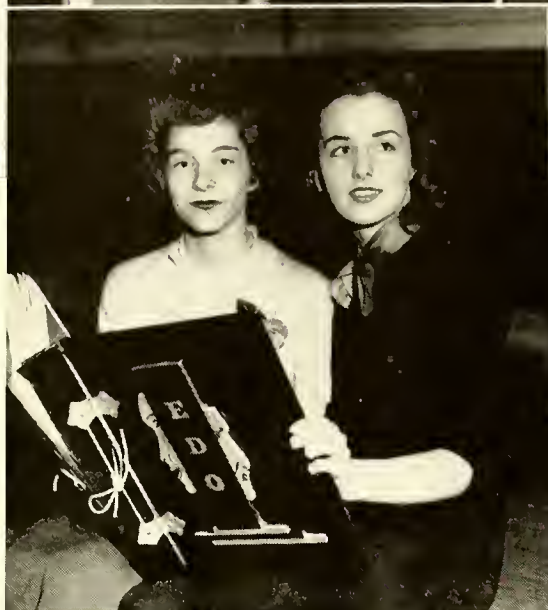
*Most Intelligent*

Norman Johnson and Phyllis Leggett with Dr. Archibald Henderson, professor, author, scientist, lecturer, of U. N. C.



*Most Athletic*

Bruce Henry and Hugh Laughridge with Charlie "Choo Choo" Justice—All-American



#### STATE DRAMA FESTIVAL AWARDS—1950

Three duly honored people: Lawrence Thorp received the Burnsville Playhouse \$150 Technical Scholarship; Miss Sarah Alexander was elected president of the Carolina Dramatic Association, and Joanne Holt won the Burnsville Playhouse \$300 Acting Scholarship.

Worthington Hobbs and his stage model of an Elizabethan Theater which won Honorable Mention at the Drama Festival.

Sara Joyner and Betsy Carr certainly have a right to be proud of the Scrapbook for which they received honorable mention.

Ann Blunt and her poster which won Honorable mention also.

Grace Dew models one of the costumes she designed with the plates she designed in the background. Her designs won First Place in the Costuming Division.

You bet they're happy. They have just won the highest possible rating in play production, a 1 rating for their performance of "The Devil Comes to Alcaraz."

The cast of "The Pipes of Dunbar" is also happy over their Honorable Mention.

## "Dream Girls - Dream Girls"



NANCY WILLIAMS  
*Miss Print*

### MISS PRINT

The coveted title of Miss Print of 1949-50 was won by Nancy Williams, lovely brunette senior. Sheila Robbins and Dot Whitley were runners-up. This contest which is sponsored annually by the "Blackbird" Staff, was begun several years ago and has rapidly grown in popularity. This year great interest was shown in the voting. The contest ran from November 17-23. During this time posters were placed all over the school, and students were besieged daily with requests for pennies for votes. A total of 17,500 votes were cast. The money raised will be used to aid in financing "The Blackbird."

### PROFILE OF YOUTH

Rocky Mount High School was signally honored by having one of its students chosen to be featured in the April issue of "The Ladies Home Journal" in the "Profile of Youth" Series. Joanne Holt, popular senior, was our candidate for this Teen-Age feature. As a result of her selection, Joanne put R.M.H.S. in the limelight. Voted the "Most Talented" girl in the Senior Class, Joanne won new laurels at Chapel Hill when she was awarded a Scholarship to the Burnsville Summer Theater for being the outstanding actress at the Dramatics Festival.



JOANNE HOLT  
*Profile of Youth*



BLANCHE WILKINS  
*Campus Sweetheart*

### CAMPUS SWEETHEART

An additional thrill furnished spectators at the Raleigh-Rocky Mount football game was the crowning of Blanche Wilkins as "Campus Sweetheart." The runners-up for the title in this annual event sponsored by the R.M.H.S. Band, were Nancy Williams and Barbara Fuller. All three girls were driven on to the field in a beautiful 1949 Pontiac Convertible. The Band stood in a heart formation around the car playing "Sweethearts" as Blanche was announced winner and presented with a huge bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums. The event climaxed a week of nominating and voting of the students for top ranking Junior and Senior girls.

## In Memoriam

And how do you remember Mr. Wilson? Do you think of the man himself as you saw him countless times? The rather slight, trim figure walking with quick, alert step—the keen brown eyes that could sparkle with humor or flash with determination—the way he ducked his head when he said “Good morning”—the inflection of his voice—the deliberate, decisive manner in matters of importance—his abounding energy—his democratic attitude—his love of simple things—his dislike of pretense—and his all-consuming interest in everything and everybody—the warm friendship he extended to every student who came to him—his words of encouragement and strength—his wisdom—knowledge—his character—Mr. Wilson—the man.

Or do you remember him as R. M. Wilson—schoolman? A man who gave thirty-eight years of his life to the youth of Rocky Mount; serving in many capacities: as athletic coach, principal and then, for thirty-five years, as superintendent. And during those thirty-eight years what tremendous educational growth he witnessed! From a system composed of three grammar schools and two high schools, he lived to see Rocky Mount recognized as having one of the outstanding progressive school systems of the State with eight grammar schools located in strategic sections of the city and two new high school buildings to replace the outgrown ones. And what a change in the curriculum; from the traditional “readin’, ‘ritin’ and ‘rithmetic” and the more conventional others to courses in music, dramatics, journalism, commercial subjects, vocational education and shop work. Who can estimate the number of hours he spent traveling over North Carolina to educational meetings—ever eager to learn new methods, to keep abreast of the times and to be sure his students were receiving the best instructions possible.

Or is it as a civic leader that you remember him? The Kiwanian who faithfully served on many committees for the betterment of community life. The man who was always ready to speak in behalf of a good cause, actively interested in the work of the Boy Scouts. His name always appeared on the list of leaders for the Community Chest Campaign, the Red Cross Drive and the Christmas Seal campaign. Wherever he was needed, he served. Whenever he was called, he answered. Whatever he could do for his fellowman, he did.

Perhaps you think of him as a loyal churchman, for well he deserves this title. He served as a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church from 1915-1919. In 1919 he was ordained as an elder, and in 1930 he was elected to the position of Superintendent of the Sunday School—an office he held until his death.

Regardless of which picture you cherish the most—or whether you remember all the many aspects of Mr. Wilson’s character, each of us has a definite image of him in our mind—a special place dedicated to him in our heart. All of us in R. M. H. S.—faculty, students and other personnel—will always be grateful for the privilege of knowing Mr. Wilson, of working with him, of serving him. For, in the words of the Rev. Norman Johnson: “His reverence, his earnestness, his faithfulness, his loyalty to God and his fellowmen endeared him to many. The memory of such a life is inspiring. The influence of such a life is abiding. The work of such a life is eternal.”



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April 1, 1949

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KAY KYSER, HENRY GREGORY



1948  
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As they were doing now;  
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It was too much trouble and fuss.  
"We've learned our lesson," these fellows  
said,*

*"No more of this stuff for us!"  
And so what happened to these positive two,  
James Kyser and Henry Gregory by name;  
Did they sink into obscurity,  
And let others lay claim to fame;  
Did they remember their threat to work no  
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While Mr. Kyser, on the other hand,  
Left his home town to roam,  
And has won fame in movies, in radio and on  
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*But he still says, "There's no place like home."  
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*His praises are sung to the sky,  
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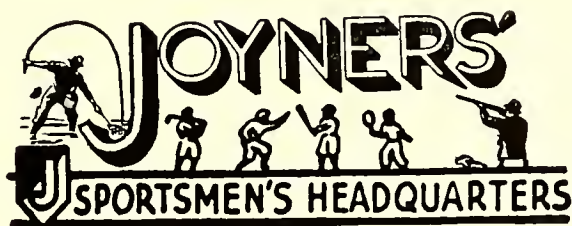
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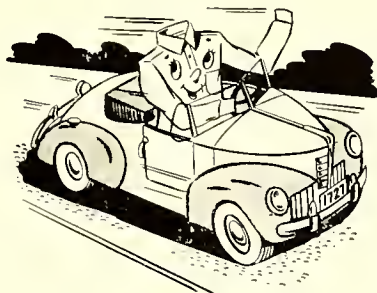
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Jaycee-Sponsored Event  
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BY ALICE B. ROYCE  
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woman from the town of Yelverton, N.C.,  
won the title of 'Miss North Carolina' today  
at a Jaycee-sponsored event here.

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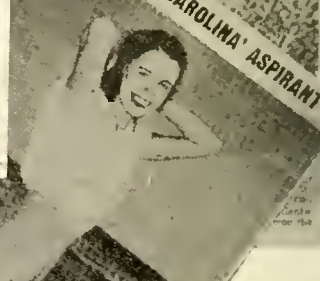


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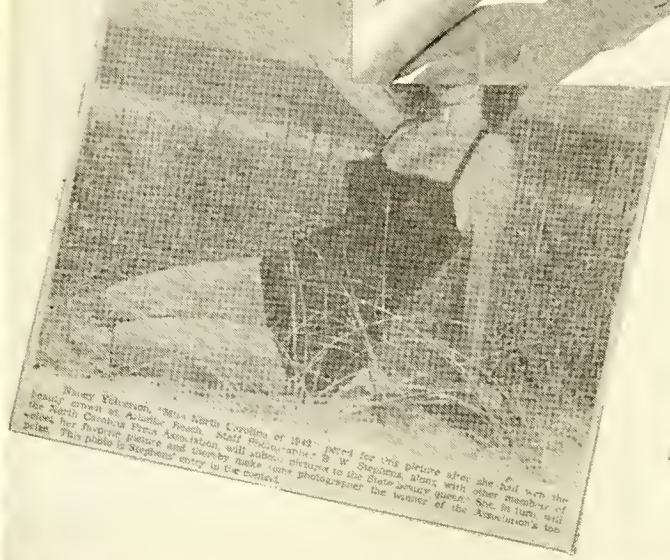


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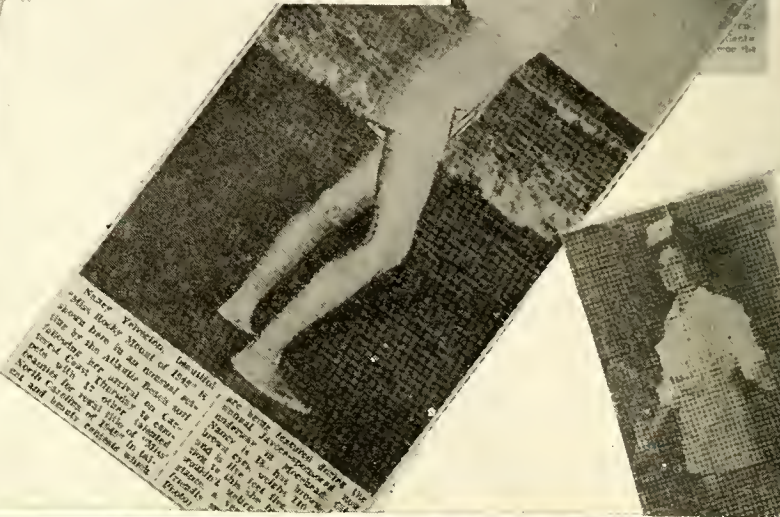


Thank you for writing such  
a cute skit for me.  
Love,  
- Honey -

### Photographer



Beauty crowned at Atlantic Beach. Staff photographer of the North Carolina Press Association will submit picture to the state beauty queen. She, in turn, will select. This photo is Stephens' entry in the contest.



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...the first to win the title since 1947 when it was won by a girl from the town of Yelverton.

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## AUTOGRAPHS

Best of  
luck to a  
swell girl  
Oscar Price

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best and

you're really nice  
and it's been nice  
knowing you best of  
luck in the future.  
Boots money

Best  
luck always  
to a wonderful girl.  
Best wish for the  
coming year you deserve  
the best.

luck  
love

Smogone

To a gal, who is really  
tough. Here goes miss  
you next year, Peggy.  
Come back to see us  
with you! Don't forget me!  
Love ya!  
Jane

Peggy,  
you've really  
done wonderful work  
at High School & try to  
keep it up. Luck to you.  
Anne Bailey

Good luck  
always  
Joan Cooper

Peggy - We had  
many funs in space  
and time certainly enjoyed  
knowing you. Best of luck  
to you and ~~Walt~~ "Woolworth"  
Louise  
George

Best luck to you.  
It's been very nice  
knowing you this year.  
Sueya.  
Joan Helguth

Peggy -  
You are a swell friend  
to have and I sure will  
miss you next year. Love  
wishes you all the best in  
the world

Peggy,  
It's been nice  
knowing you and  
I hope you have lots  
of luck always.  
Anne Newton  
ΣΔΑ

Stella Jones  
Peggy,  
It has really been  
nice hasn't it. Best  
of luck to you and  
your new interests.  
See ya around!  
Kat Rue

Lots of luck  
to a swell girl.  
Love,  
Barbara M.  
ΣΔΑ



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